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Select Story.

THE DEACON'S GIRLS.

"I never saw any one alter so much in my life," said Gran'ther Allen.—"There wasn't a prettier girl than Deborah Hale all the country through, ten years ago, now look at her!"

Gran'ther Allen was smoking his pipe out on the perch, where the morning-glories, trained to strings made a pretty stenciling of light and shade on the floor.

His wife, a hearty old woman, with a complection like a rosy Spitzenberg apple, had just come to the door.

The Allens kept the postoffice, but here in Pumpkintown the mail coach passed through only twice a week, and the Thursday letters were all sorted over and dealt out to their owners long ago.

On the other side of the wide-maple-shaded road stretched the well-painted fences and thrifty outbuildings of the Hubbard farm, and it was of Mrs. Elias Hubbard, the deacon's second wife, that Gran'ther Allen spoke.

"I reckon," said Mrs. Allen. "that she has a pretty hard scramble of it. Deacon Hubbard he don't believe in keeping no hired help, and them three step darters, I sort o' reckon they ain't easy to manage."

"Milly ain't bad-hearted," observed Gran'ther Allen.

"No, and no more ain't Abbey; and little Esther she loves Mrs. Hubbard as if she had been her own mother. But the deacon he squeezes every cent afore he pays it out. If Deborah was a hired help, she'd get wages, but I guess she don't see the color of much money as things is now."

While the old postmaster and his wife were thus discussing the private affairs of the handsome, white-painted farm-house opposite, the dwellers therein were greatly rejoicing over a certain piece of luck which had befallen them, in the shape of a bequest from a certain ancient grand uncle, who seemed to have overlooked the necessity for dying until now.

He had left fifty dollars each to Millicent, Abigail and Esther Hubbard and each was discussing how she should spend this financial windfall.

"Better put it in the savings bank gals," said Deacon Hubbard, sagely.

"But it was left to us to spend as we pleased, father," pleaded Abigail, a handsome, red-cheeked girl, with very black hair, and eyes of the shallow, glittering ebon of a glass bead. "I should so like a crimson cashmere gown."

"No, Abby, no," said Millicent, whose style of beaty was decidedly that of Titian's Fornarina "A gown indeed, to be worn out and done with! Now is the chance, if ever, for a piano."

"A— piano!" Abbey uttered the words with a gasp. "But fifty dollars wouldn't buy a piano."

"A hundred and fifty would go far toward it on the installment plan, and out of the egg and butter and strawberry money we could easily manage the rest," explained Millicent.

The Deacon stroked his chin thoughtfully. In his estimation a piano was the most frivolous of all things, yet there was something in Milly's business like way of putting the question that gratified his paternal instincts.

"The girl knows what she's talking about," he said to himself."

"Oh, Milly, wouldn't that be splendid!" ecstatically cried out Abbey, dancing up and down. "Where would you buy it— at Downes' store?"

"No, I'd send direct to Bridgeport," said Millicent," who was evidently the master spirit of the two. "Downes' would have less variety and he'd charge more into the bargain. I will write to-night if you think best, Abbey."

"But what does Esther say?"

"Esther will do just as we do, of course."

Esther Hubbard, the youngest and quietest of the three, was busy in paring apples for a certain favorite pudding of the deacon's.

Her eyes were cast down, her cheeks flushed.

"No," she said, in a low voice, "I can't join in the piano project, girls. —I'm very sorry, but—I've spent my money."

Deacon Hubbard dropped his newspaper, and stared over the top of his spectacle glasses.

"Already?" cried Abbey.

"But that's nonsense!" said Milly-'You couldn't, you know. You, haven't been anywhere."

At this moment there was a mysterious bumping sound on the doorstep—a knock—the entrance of a gleaming piece of furniture, accompanied by two stout men

"I've bought a sewing machine for mother," said Esther, springing up so suddenly that the apples, pared and unpared, rolled all over the floor. "And here it is! Seth Pollock, down at the store, is the agent. I've seen mother sit up and sew weary seams by hand, night after night, for so many years, after a hard day's work in the kitchen and wash-house, that I made up my mind she wouldn't endure it any longer; so I put Uncle Ebenezer's money into a sewing machine —a present to you, mother dear!"

Little Mrs. Hubbard burst into tears.

"Essie, my darling! But I can't let you sacrifice everything to me in this way.

"Whom else should I sacrifice to, mother?" whispered Esther. Who is my best friend and dearest counselor? Whom do I love best in all the world?"

Thd deacon's face gloomed.

"I never did believe in teaching my woman folks idleness," snarled he.—"Hand sewin' was good enough for my first wife. I guess it wouldn't have hurt Debby much.

And if Esther was anxious to get rid of her money, I could have used half on't to buy a new ox cart!"

"But you have so many things, father," pleaded Esther. "All your work, mostly, is done by machinery, and mother has to toil so endlessly."

"Humph!" commented the deacon.

Millicent frowned; Abigail shrugged her shoulders,

Evidently, no one was in accord with poor little overworked Mrs. Hubbard, but Esther.

"I'm very sorry," said Esther, "that I havn't enough to help you with the piano, too. I do so love music. I always longed for an instrument."

"Oh!" said Abby, with a toss of her black braids. "We shall have the piano all the same; so you needn't be afraid. It will only take us the longer to pay for it. One thing is very certain—you shall never strike a note on it.

Mrs. Hubbard followed Esther out into the kitchen.

"Oh, Essie," said she, "you should'nt have thought of me. The girls are seriously angry."

"I can't help that," said Esther.

"If they had any eyes, they would have seen, long ago, that this horrible sewing, in addition with everything else, was killing you!"

"But don't mind their refusing to let you share the piano, Essie," whispered the stepmother. "Mrs. Pritchett has one at the parsonage, and I used to play when I was a girl. We'll go down every day or two, and I will teach you. Abby and Milly laugh at Mrs. Pritchett's old-fashioned piano; but there's is a deal of music in it yet!"

"I dew declare," said Gran'ther Allen, as the maple leaves began to carpet the paths with scarlet, and even to scatter ruby jewels here and there in the road. "Deacon Hubbard's wife is pickin up a deal! I never saw her step so light afore, and she actually sings at work—a thing she never did before!"

It's the sewin' machine," said his old wife "I took a seam over yes'day afternoon, and it just made game o' play outen the hull thing."

So that, when Mrs. Judge Besset gave her May party the next spring, and invited Mrs. Hubbard, the invitation was accepted.

"I feel ever so much younger since that sewing machine came," said she.

Mrs. Besset had a grand piano, and a pianist who came from Bridgeport at so much a night; but when the company arrived, lo and behold! the professor had not put in an appearance.

"Dear me," said Mrs. Besset, "what am I to do? Won't any of the young ladies present oblige me with a waltz, just to get the dancers on the floor?"

"The young ladies present" giggled, looked at each other, but made no move.

Deacon Hubbard leaned across the intervening matrons and spoke to Millicent.

"Daughter," said he, "you can play!"

Millicent grew pale.

"I couldn't strike a note, pa," said she. "I'm too nervous."

"Abigail, then?"

"Oh, please don't ask me! I should only break down!" twittered Abby, shrinking back.

The deacon frowned.

But in the midst of his wrath a light step passed him. Esther, in her simple white serge dress and blue ribbons went up to the piano, and quietly seating herself began to play that wild, sweet creation where joy and sorrow seem to strive in the most musical of refrains —"My Queen."

Every chord in the famous grand piano rang out. The dancers sprang to the floor.

Esther went on playing, as if her fingers were instinct with musical magnetism.

The deacon rubbed his spectacles; his hard features worked.

"I declare," said he, turning to his wife, "that is music! I dunno whether to laugh or cry. And is that really our Esther? How did she ever learn to play like that? And the other girls keeping their piano tight-locked, too, all the time."

"I have been giving her lessons all the winter on Mrs. Pritchett's piano at the parsonage," said Mrs. Hubbard, her eyes lighting up with love and pride. "And I think—dear little Essie—she does me credit."

"Well, I swan!" said Deacon Hubbard. "I am proud of her—yes, I am! There ain't no use denyin' it. And what's she playin' now—a quadrille? I declare, it sounds just like the old country dances they had when I was a boy.

I'd like to go down the middle myself, if only some of the old friends could stand up with me again;" and the deacon surreptitiously wiped his eyes. "I must get Essie to play that old tune some ime when we're alone," said he.

The professional arrived soon, full of excuses for her delay, and Esther was relieved, with the cordial thanks of her hostess.

"I didn't know you were such an artist!" said Mrs. Basset.

And the two other Misses Hubbard were ready to eat each other up with envy and chagrin.

"Now I tell you what, girls," said Deacon Hubbard, when at last they reached home, "do you just unlock that piano, and give your sister a fair chance at it, or I'll turn you and it both out of the house. She can play better than either of you, and I mean she shan't be treated worse than a pirate any longer."

"Oh, of course, as she really does play!" tartly remarked Milly.

"But how were we to know it," said Abby.

"I guess you know it," said the deacon. "I was up and down proud of Esther to-night. Come here and kiss me, my girl! There's a flute somewhere up in the garret, and I mean to screw the pieces together, and see if I can't remember some of the good old tunes we used to like when I was a boy. P'raps we can have some duetts. And mother shall play, too," with a kindly glance at his pale little second wife, "if ever she gets time to play anything else than the everlastin' click o' that sewing machine."

From that day thare was a change in the social atmosphere of the Hubbard farmhouse. Milly and Abby, so long the ruling elements, fell into the back-ground. Esther and her step-mother became the queen and princess royal.

"And," said Esther, "father is so kind, and home is so home-like —and it is all owing to the money Uncle Ebenezer left us."

"No," said Mrs. Hubbard, quietly, "it is all owing to Esther's sweet nature and generous heart."

—Huntingdon County Pomona Grange, No. 6, P. of H., of Pennsylvania, will meet in the hall of Trough Creek Grange, No. 144, on Thursday and Friday, May 23 and 24, 1889, as follows: Thursday at 7 p. m. a public meeting to which all are cordially invited. On Friday at 9 a. m. a private session will be held to which all members of the order are respectfully invited. As we have important business it is hoped that there will be a good turn out. The public meeting will be addressed by prominent members in the county. Come one, come all, snd help this good work along.

The common needle threader, which every one has seen for sale, and which every woman owns, was a boon to needle users. The man who invented it has an income of $10,000 a year from his invention.

ALLEN THORNDIKE RICE.

Sudden Death of the Newly Appointed Minister to Russia.

Taken Sick in New York as He Was About to Sail for Europe.

ALLEN THORNDIKE RICE.

Hon. Allen Thorndike Rice, recently appointed United States Minister to Russia, died at 4 o'clock the other morning at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, New York, of œdema glottis. The disease is a peculiar one, an aggravated form of quinsy.

Mr. Rice's death was altogether unexpected. Having been appointed United States Minister to Russia by President Harrison he was about to sail for Europe, and had already engaged his passage when taken ill. He was sick only three days, and expired on the day after he was to have departed for his post at St. Petersburg.

Sketch of His Life.

Allen Thorndike Rice was best known as the editor and proprietor of the *North American Review*. He was born in Boston in 1853, of wealthy parents, and at eighteen years of age went to England and entered Oxford University, where he took his degree in 1875. Returning to the United States he entered the Columbia College Law School, but never practised law. He purchased the *North American Review* in 1879, and has since made it one of the best known of American periodicals.

In 1879 he organized the Charnay expedition to investigate ancient civilization in Central America and Mexico. In 1884 he bought a controling influence in *Le Matin*, a newspaper of Paris. He edited "Reminiscences of Abraham Lincoln," and contributed to "Ancient Cities of the New World." He also advocated the Australian system of voting.

In 1886 he was the Republican candidate for Congress in the Tenth District of New York, against General Spinola, and received the support of the "Henry George party." He came within 527 votes of an election. His defeat was attributed to the treachery of the party leader to whom the conduct of his canvass was intrusted. Mr. Rice exposed the treachery, and caused the expulsion of the accused leader from the party organization.

Mr. Rice was the proprietor of a large cattle ranch in Kansas, which brought him a handsome revenue. He had an extensive knowledge of literary topics, and was also an accomplished linguist, speaking fluently the French and German languages. His conversational powers were uncommonly brilliant. He had a striking personality, being tall, well built and proportioned, dark brown hair, with eyes of similar color. His manners were polite and engaging, and he was very energetic and a hard worker. A habit of speaking rapidly, especially in an animated conversation, often led to stammering.

Mr. Rice possessed an inherited fortune that was estimated at several millions. He never married. Both his parents are dead, and he had no brother or sister.

MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC.

MAGGIE MITCHELL has closed her tour.

"PICKWICK" has been dramatized in Danish.

LOTTA, it is reported, will not play next season.

BUFFALO BILL and his show landed on French soil.

STRAUSS, the great Vienna waltz writer and conductor, is to visit America next year.

AT Coblentz, Germany, "The Nights of St. John," a new opera, has been very successful.

"KING JOHN" may be the subject of Mr. Mansfield's next Shakespearean revival in London.

MAX O'RELL, the French satirist, is to lecture on "Jonathan and His Continent" next season.

AN opera company is now being engaged in Europe to support Patti in her American tour next winter.

ROBSON and Crane, the comedians, who have been in partnership for twelve years, have separated.

THE Booth-Barrett combination and Fanny Davenport have played to the heaviest business this season.

MISS BEATRICE CAMERON is the only American left in Richard Mansfield's company, in London.

A NUMBER of French residents propose to build a theatre in New York city to be devoted exclusively to French plays.

HENRY IRVING has signed a contract to tour this country under Abbey, Schoeffel & Grau's management during the season of 1891.

THE French Government expends immense annual sums of money upon the opera to promote the cultivation of French artists and music.

SINCE the establishment of the Palmer-Boucicault school of acting in New York city thirty-two of its pupils have passed on to the professional stage.

A STATISTICIAN remarks that "the population of Europe is greatly added to by the invasion of American girls who are determined to be prime donne."

THE German Emperor has signified his intention to be present at two of the forthcoming Bayreuth performances of Wagner's operas, to begin on July 21 next.

CHAPMAN and Sellers paid Louis Aldrich $8000 as royalties in "My Partner," for the season just ended. Aldrich purchased the play from Bartley Campbell for $180.

A CHINESE theatrical troupe has been organized at Portland, Oregon, to make a tour of the United States. Their plays are only a little longer than Wagner's operas.

THERE are but sixteen female doctors in Paris, it is said.

THE NEWS EPITOMIZED.

Eastern and Middle States.

JAMES B. SMITH, local editor of the Springfield (Mass.) *Republican*, was shot and killed by his brother-in-law, who mistook him for a burglar.

ANDREW COVENASH and Stephen Goodtash, Hungarian laborers, were killed by a freight train near Tullytown, Penn.

DANIEL GILLEN and a man named Joseph, laborers, were killed by a falling wall in New York city. Foreman Thomas was horribly mutilated and fatally injured.

WASHINGTON IRVING BISHOP, the world famous mind reader, died while giving an exhibition of his powers in New York city of hystrocatalepsy, a disease peculiar to people of extraordinary nervous development.

THE recent count of money at the New York Sub-Treasury revealed a discrepancy of $35 out of a total sum of $184,000,000 to be accounted for. The shortage resulted from the acceptance of a few counterfeit notes in the hurry of business and by the loss of a few pieces of silver. The loss was promptly made good.

LANGLEY & SMITH, shoe manufacturers of Boston, have failed for $100,000.

GENERAL ADNA ANDERSON, well known as a railroad engineer, committed suicide in Philadelphia by shooting himself.

THE body of Heyward M. Paul, a young Philadelphia millionaire, who disappeared mysteriously from his uncle's residence—Edgewater Park, N. J.—has been recovered from the Delaware River. He had drowned himself while insane.

THE strike of the 6000 Pennsylvania railroad coal miners is ended, and work in all the mines was resumed. Concessions were made by both operators and diggers, and the price agreed upon to rule for the year is seventy-three cents per ton, which is one cent less than was demanded.

COLONEL FRED YERKES, Internal Revenue Collector of Philadelphia, died a few days ago of apoplexy.

WILLIAM MAUSELL, ex-Assistant City Clerk of Hoboken, N. J., convicted of forging city improvement certificates, was sentenced to hard labor at State Prison for six years and six months.

SIX THOUSAND employes of the National Tube Works Company, at McKeesport, Penn., have struck for ten per cent. advance.

THE Legislature of New York has adjourned sine die.

South and West.

DURING a quarrel at a dance near Portsmouth, Ohio, Wilson and Amos Cooper, brothers, were instantly killed.

GEORGE WARD, aged twenty-eight, an engineer at the Memphis (Tenn.) Gas Works, shot and killed his young wife and then killed himself. He had been married four months and was jealous.

JEWELER CORNWALL, of Salida, Cal., was robbed by Strauss, his clerk, of $35,000 worth of jewelry.

ANDREW and Ole Ericksen, brothers, aged eight and ten years respectively, were drowned in the river at Crookstown, Minn. They fell off some logs on which they were playing, and their father nearly lost his life in the attempt to rescue them.

HEAVY rains have fallen within the past few days over a vast wheat, oats and corn growing area in Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Wisconsin and Michigan.

FIVE men were killed by the collapse of a three-story building in Tacoma, Washington Territory.

SNOW fell to the depth of two inches a few days since at Hope, Dakota.

MRS. WILLIAM WAGNER and daughter were killed by an accident on the Seattle (Washington Territory) cable road.

KENTUCKY'S long drought has been broken by a cyclone and rain storm that did much damage.

A TERRIFIC storm prevailed at Danville, Va. Factories were unroofed, trees prostrated and fences blown down. Hail fell in large quantities. A swath six or seven miles broad was cut through the trucking region of Norfolk and Nansemond Counties, Va., by the storm. The loss will probably reach a million dollars.

A VERY light vote was polled in the election for the ratification of the Sioux Falls Constitution of 1885 throughout South Dakota. At least eighty-five per cent of the total vote favored the ratification.

THE entire Wabash Railway system was sold to the committee representing the majority of the bondholders for $15,550,000.

REAR ADMIRAL EDWARD DONALDSON, United States Navy, died of old age at his home in Baltimore in the sixty-eighth year of his age. He was born in Maryland.

AN English syndicate has consummated the purchase of five large Detroit breweries. The consideration was $700,000

FOUR laborers were unloading a carload of iron at Detroit, Mich., when some part of the brace holding the load broke and several tons of iron fell on the men. Joe Benscotte was killed and his three companions mortally injured.

A STORM of wind and rain swept over Burlington, Iowa, and surrounding country, doing considerable damage to buildings. Snow fell in Northern Michigan and Wisconsin to a depth of from three to five inches.

SEVENTEEN-YEAR locusts have made their appearance in Tennessee.

CHIEF ENGINEER R. L. HARRIS, United States Navy, who was on the Naval Examining Board to test the cruiser Charleston, at San Francisco, died suddenly at Santa Barbara, Cal.

WHILE Mrs. Louis Palmer was cooking supper at her home, five miles from Rockdale, Texas, she dropped a kerosene lamp, which exploded and she was burned to death. Her husband discovered the house to be in flames, and his attempts to save the two small children asleep in the building were futile.

THE American steamer Alaskan broke in two during a storm, off Cape Blanco, Oregon. Two sailors were drowned and several were missing.

Washington.

HON. CHARLES LYMAN, of Connecticut, has been elected President of the Civil Service Commission.

MR. JUSTICE GRAY and Miss Jeannette Matthews, daughter of the late Mr. Justice Stanley Matthews, will be married at the residence of the bride, June 6th, in Washington. The ceremony will be witnessed by the members of the families and the Justices of the Supreme Court and their families.

THE United States Supreme Court decided that the Scott Chinese Exclusion act is valid and gave an opinion in favor of the heirs of Myra Clark Gaines in their suit against the city of New Orleans for $576,000. This is the final decision in this famous suit which has been in the courts for fifty-six years. The decision against Sarah Althea Hill in the Sharon divorce case was also confirmed by the Supreme Court.

ADDITIONAL appointments by the President: John F. Plummer, of New York city, George E. Leighton, of St. Louis, Jesse Spalding, of Chicago, and Rufus B. Bullock of Atlanta, to be Government Directors of the Union Pacific Railway Company; William Lyon, of New York, to be a member of the Board of Indian Commissioners; Samuel C. Wright, of Nevada, to be Superintendent of the Mint of the United States at Carson City, Nevada.

THE Court of Senators empowered to try General Boulanger cannot frame a specific charge against him, and it is proposed to enter a nolle prosequi in his case. It is believed that the prosecution will be abandoned.

THE office of General Inspector of the Naval Pay Corps, abolished by Secretary Whitney, has been re-established by Secretary Tracy, and Pay Director T. H. Looker appointed to fill it.

THE President has accepted the resignation of Judge George A. Jenks as Solicitor-General of the Department of Justice.

CHIEF-JUSTICE FULLER, of the Supreme Court, started for South Carolina on his judicial district tour.

A DESPATCH was received by the State Department from Mr. Carlisle, the United States Minister to Bolivia, stating that Bolivia would be represented at the conference of South American nations to be held in Washington next autumn.

JOHN W. DOUGLASS and Simon G. Hine were appointed Commissioners of the District of Columbia.

JAMES J. HANNA, of Missouri, has been appointed a Postoffice Inspector on Mail Depredations, with headquarters in Boston.

THE following additional appointments in the Diplomatic service were made by President Harrison: Solomon Hirsch, of Oregon, to be Minister to Turkey; Clark E. Carr, of Illinois, to be Minister Resident and Consul-General to Denmark; Thomas H. Sherman, of the District of Columbia, to be Consul at Liverpool; John Jarrett, of Pennsylvania, to Consul at Birmingham; Henry W. Severance of California, to be Consul at Honolulu.

Foreign.

AMARAL VALENTE, Brazilian Minister to Bolivia, has been appointed Minisiter to the United States.

A SERIOUS affray occurred at Elisenheim, Germany, arising out of disputed claims to the occupation of private lands. The military were called out to disperse the angry villagers, but were unable to do so without firing upon them. Seven persons were killed.

THE Shah of Persia has left Teheran for St. Petersburg. On his arrival on Russian soil he was welcomed by a body of Russian notables. A detachment of Cossacks was detailed to act as a guard of honor to the Shah.

MANY congratulatory telegrams were received by the King of Holland from foreign rulers and other notables on the occasion of his resumption of the Government. The streets of the Capital were decorated with flags. Thanksgiving services were held and at night the city was illuminated.

AN enormous landslide has occurred at Spiessback, Switzerland, destroying villages, forests, and cattle.

FIVE brigands were hanged in the court yard of the prison at Sofia, Bulgaria. They were led separately to the scaffold and were hanged in succession. Each man was enveloped in a bag passed over the head and reaching to the waist.

MALAYS attacked the Dutch port of Edi, in Sumatra, killing five of the garrison and wounding twenty-five. The Malays left 100 dead on the field.

JOHN C. NEW entered upon his duties as United States Consul-General in London.

IN the British House of Commons Mr. Balfour, Chief Secretary for Ireland, stated that ten Irish members of the House are now in prison for offenses under the Crimes act.

CAPTAIN GENERAL SALAMANCA, of Cuba, has been authorized to draw on the Spanish Treasury for the sum of $800,000.

PROMINENT PEOPLE.

GEORGE BANCROFT, the historian, is eighty-eight.

SENATOR REAGAN, of Texas, is past seventy.

SIR RICHARD OWEN, the anatomist, is eighty-four.

ARCHBISHOP PAUL, of Bogota, South America, is dead.

EMIN PASHA is a Mohammedan—a convert from Judaism.

KING MALIETOA will probably be replaced on the Samoan throne.

SECRETARY RUSK is the only Cabinet officer who uses a golden pen.

THE King of Light is what the French have christened Electrician Edison.

GOVERNOR AMES, of Massachusetts, is one of the most daring speculators in Boston.

THE Czar of Russia is suffering from great nervous excitement, due to attempts upon his life.

GENERAL LEW WALLACE says the two things he likes best are horse racing and baseball.

THE Marquis De Mores is in New York with a scheme for covering China with railways.

GENERAL B. F. BUTLER is in his seventy-first year and Admiral Porter in his seventy-fifth year.

ARTHUR L. THOMAS, the newly-appointed Governor of Utah, was once a messenger boy in Pittsburg.

DR. GATLING, the inventor of the famous gun, is living in Boston. He is a native of North Carolina.

PRESIDENT CARNOT, of France, is not a great orator, but he writes a strong speech and delivers it effectively.

TENNYSON derives from his works between $25,000 and $35,000 a year, Browning $10,000 and Swinburne $5000.

EX-MAYOR HEWITT, of New York, is the guest of the Duke and Duchess of Marlborough at Blenheim Palace, Woodstock, Oxfordshire, England.

THE veteran publisher and philanthropist of Philadelphia, George W. Childs of the *Ledger*, has attained his sixtieth birthday. He is as generous as ever.

THE handsomest of the ladies of the legations at Washington is Mme. Romero, the wife of the Mexican Minister. She is an American, a native of Chicago.

THE celebrated engineer and architect, Gustave Eiffel, whose big tower at Paris is a wonder, has in his study, which is in many ways a curiosity shop, a Buddhist shrine that is over five hundred years old.

JEFFERSON DAVIS has written a letter denying the assertions made by General Wolseley in his article in the *North American Review*, criticising Davis's course as President of the Southern Confederacy.

MISS SUSANNA M. DUNKLEE, of Newton, Mass., the first woman to be bank treasurer in the United States, with the help of a clerk, now handles about $500,000 in money each year. In the fifteen years of her experience she has but twice taken in a counterfeit bill—in each case a $10 one.

THE foreign adviser of the State Department at Tokio, Japan, is Henry Denison, a young New Englander of about thirty-five. He has a fine house furnished to him by the Mikado, and has received a rank from the Emperor. He has more influence than any other American in Japan, and he is constantly dealing with matters connected with America.

PENNSYLVANIA ITEMS.

EPITOME OF NEWS GLEANED FROM VARIOUS PARTS OF THE STATE.

——The Tremont Township School Board will build a new schoolhouse at Molleystown.

——Fritz Heidt, a German farmer of Dyberry, committed suicide by cutting his throat.

——The Board of Missions of the United Brethren Church held its meeting in Chambersburg.

——The Pennsylvania State Branch of the Emerald Beneficial Association is in session at Harrisburg.

——The commencement of the Reformed Theological Seminary of the United States was held at Lancaster.

——The Haddon Fire Company, of Haddonfield, was housed after a large parade and a banquet in the Town Hall.

——The twelfth quadrennial session of the General Conference of the United Brethren in Christ is being held in York.

——The Phœnix Hotel, at Phœnixville, was entered by thieves who secured $250 in cash and a gold watch from a boarder.

——At Swiftwater, Valentine Engle, a teamster, aged 30 and married, was almost instantly killed by one of his horses.

——Charles Reilly, a veteran bear hunter of Pike County, is said to have met and killed three bears in a swamp near his house.

——The fourth annual convention of the Women's Christian Temperance Union of Chester was held in the Upland Church.

——David Long, aged 82 years, while passing between moving cars at the Dauphin Car Works, was caught and instantly killed.

——Judge White, in the Allegheny Court, filed an elaborate opinion against all rehearings in the rejected liquor license cases.

——The East Stroudesburg National Bank opened its doors for the first time. The capital stock is $50,000. Milton Yetter is president.

——Melchoir Huber, a prosperous contractor of Scranton, committed suicide, his mind being temporarily affected by excessive drink.

——The great strike at the Bessemer Steel Company at Duquesne, near Pittsburg, is about over, as the works have been put in operation.

——M. G. Lyons, a former inspector, has made charges of corruption in the use of money against the Berks County Board of Prison Inspectors.

——The body of an unknown man was found floating in the river at Lock Haven. The body was so badly decomposed that a hasty burial was required.

——District Assembly No. 16, Knights of Labor has issued a circular calling attention to the evils of the coal region and calling on the miners to organize.

——Edward Root, a conductor on the Philadelphia and Erie Railway, received a fatal injury on the road near Erie. Death followed the surgical operation.

——John Martz, a farmer, was killed at Haas Mill, near Sunbury, by a Philadelphia and Reading passenger train, which struck him as he was crossing the track.

——The Grand Army posts of Williamsport have protested against the secularization of Memorial Day by the field sports of the Young Men's Christian Association.

——Ten miners were crushed to death in the shaft at the Kaska William Colliery at new Philadelphia, Schuylkill County, by Hungarian workmen dropping a mine cage.

——Dr. W. Kistler and William Pelsburg were thrown from a buggy by an unmanageble horse at Minersville, and were badly injured, both men being confined to bed.

——William H. Rayser, a brakeman on the Pennsylvania Railroad, was squeezed between two cars in Columbia, from the effects of which he died at his home in Harrisburg.

——John Galloway, shipping clerk for the Bessemer Steel Company, shot William Dunn one of the men now on strike at Duquesne. One shot entered his breast and may prove fatal.

——Rev. H. A. Koerner, pastor of St. Paul's United Evangelical Church, Allegheny, was awarded six and one-fourth cents for damages in a suit for slander against Rev. Dr. Pick.

——Willie Hawke, ticket boy at the Priceburgh Colliery Scales, while helping to push a car was caught by another car running against it and received injuries causing his death.

——Committees representing the oil exchanges of New York, Pittsburg, Bradford, Titusville and Oil City, in conference in Pittsburg, decided to recommend dealing in futures.

——Sylvester Haas, a well-known butcher of Pine Grove, and son of Master Carpenter Adam Haas, of the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad, left his home and has not been heard of since.

——Frederick Kindler, who was shot by Sydney Weir at Lykens, has died of his injuries, thus making the crime a double murder. Weir, when informed of the second death, expressed no concern.

——Mrs Catharine Harkins was burnt to death at Hollidays by the explosion of a coal oil lamp, and her husband now lies in a critical condition from burns received while attempting to save his wife.

——Daniel Vonieda, aged 70 years, a farmer residing in Limestone Township, received a sunstroke while at work in a field. He remained unconscious several hours, and his condition is regarded as serious.

——A disastrous freight wreck occurred on the Pennsylvania Railroad at Christiana. A west bound freight engine and eighteen cars were derailed by a spread track. Henry Baker, engineer, had one foot injured.

——A detective claims to have discovered a plot to fasten the murder of Farmer Unberger, in Somerset County, upon two innocent young men in order to secure the release of the two Nicely boys charged with the murder.

——James Burns, aged 38 years and married, was instantly killed at West Conshohocken by falling under a car loaded with stone. Burns was a quarryman, and after helping to load a car, walked alongside helping to push it.

——Alfred Shot, a 13 year old boy, of Reedsville, was instantly killed while passing through a frail temporary phosphate shed, the building having fallen and crushed his head. Two little brothers were also slightly injured.

——Leo, a little son of Timothy Cleary, of Donaldson, was fatally scalded by the toppling over of a pot of boiling water. During the excitement in the household in consequence of the accident some one carried off $70 and a gold watch.

——Cyrus Hoopes, of West Marlbough, has seventeen cows sick at his Hopewell farm. No one seems able to name or explain the disease. The cattle, one of which has died, seemed to suffer great pain and their eyes and udder turn pink.

——John and Robert Wagner and George Becker stole a horse and buggy from the livery stable of George Nonnemacher, in Allentown, and the trio and the team were seen in Toptom, Berks county, and an officer left for that place to arrest the thieves

——William Price, of South Easton, a brakeman on a Lehigh Valley freight train, was killed at Packerton by being caught between the bumpers while engaged in making up a train. Deceased was 38 years of age and leaves a wife and seven children.

——The suspension of the Reading Iron Works and other manufacturing establishments have caused over $15,000 to be withdrawn from the building associations of Reading during the past few weeks by workingmen who have left the city or are compelled to use their savings for the support of their families.

——The strike at the Susquehanna Rolling Mill at Columbia is practically ended. Sixty-five hands were working and the mill is resuming its accustomed active appearance. There is every indication that the mill will be in full running order in a week or ten days.

——Judge J. L. White, of Pittsburg, says he will hold no rehearings in the liquor cases. His supporters have passed resolutions denouncing the action of Representative Shiras in attempting to have an investigation of his decisions made by a legislative committee.

——As a freight train on the Philadelphia and Erie Railroad was passing Garland Station in Corry it broke in two, throwing a brakeman, Edward Root, on the track, cutting one leg off and badly smashing the other. He was taken to the hospital in Erie, where he died.

——Augustus Bohlen, an employee on the coal docks of the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Company, while walking on the tracks near the East Penn Junction at Allentown, was struck by a train and almost instantly killed. Deceased was 60 years of age and leaves a widow and four grown children.

—— A meeting of the prominent citizens of Annville was held at which a company was formed for the purpose of supplying that borough with water. The works will be erected by Messrs. Raymond & Campbell, and will be similar to the works recently put up in Hummelstown.

——Mrs. Joseph Sandt, residing near Summit Station, Northampton County, committed suicide by hanging. She had been in low spirits for some time. The deceased was 60 years of age and was a sister of Ex-County Commissioner Reuben Fehnel. Her husband alone survives her.

——The bottom men at Draper colliery at Pottsville, refused to go to work unless granted an advance in wages. They number about eighty. The fifth or lower lift of the colliery is very gassy, and their work, even with safety lamps, is extra hazardous, hence the demand for higher wages,

——Andrew Carlsen, a Swede employed at Jones' Quarry, Upper Merion, was injured by an explosion of a keg of powder, which was ignited by flying sparks. He was badly burned about the head and upper portion of the body, though not necessarily fatally. Carlsen resides in Bridgeport.

——The wholesale liquor dealers of Allegheny County have secured a writ of alternative mandamas against the County Treasurer and the Clerk of the Court to show cause why they should not be granted liquor licenses. Counsel for the bottlers have brought certiorari proceedings in the Supreme Court and the Court has occepted a paper book and will render a decision June 1.

——A track-walker of the Pennsylvania Railroad, who was passing over the red bridge one mile East of Columbia, heard groans under the bridge. Upon investigating he found a man lying on the road that passes under the bridge. He had fallen there from the bridge while walking over it, tumbling forty-two feet. At the County Hospital the resident physician said he did not think the man's injuries would result seriously. The patient is an Englishman named John Blanchard.

——The sad sequel to an elopement which created somewhat of a sensation at Reading a few months ago came to light in the receipt of a letter from the missing girl, who is Miss Laura Moser, aged 16 years. About five month ago she eloped with her father's hired man, Philip Kremp, an Alsatian, and up to a few days ago had not been heard from. It appears from her letter that he took her to New York and with some money that he had borrowed he procured passage for Antwerp, from whence they went to Alsace, his old home. After they had been there a short time the authorities finding that they were not married, ordered a separation. After this Miss Moser drifted to Paris, where she was cared for by a sister of her betrayer. From there she has written a pitiful letter to her father, telling of her troubles, and he has sent her money to return to America.

A GLASS bottle trust has been formed in England, eighty per cent. of the bottle manufacturers in the United Kingdom joining.

THE MARKETS.

20 NEW YORK.

Beeves	3 70	@	4 70
Milch Cows, com. to good	30 00	@	45 00
Calves, common to prime	3 25	@	5 50
Sheep	4 20	@	5 90
Lambs	3 00	@	6 50
Hogs—Live	5 10	@	5 30
Dressed	6½	@	8
Flour—City Mill Extra	4 45	@	4 65
Patents	5 35	@	6 25
Wheat—No. 2 Red	84⅛	@	85¼
Rye—State	56	@	57
Barley—Two-rowed State	85	@	90
Corn—Ungraded Mixed	41	@	45
Oats—No. 1 White	—	@	39
Mixed Western	30	@	34
Hay—No. 1	85	@	95
Straw—Long Rye	70	@	80
Lard—City Steam	—	@	6.05c
Butter—Elgin Creamery	20	@	21
Dairy, fair to good	13½	@	16½
West. Im. Creamery	10	@	14
Factory	8	@	11
Cheese—State Factory	8	@	11
Skims—Light	7½	@	9
Western	—	@	9
Eggs—State and Penn	—	@	14

BUFFALO.

Steers—Western	2 75	@	4 25
Sheep—Medium to Good	3 75	@	4 10
Lambs—Fair to Good	5 30	@	5 75
Hogs—Good to Choice Yorks	—	@	4 90
Flour—Family	5 00	@	5 25
Wheat—No. 2 Northern	—	@	87
Corn—No. 3, Yellow	38⅝	@	38¾
Oats—No. 2, White	—	@	31½
Barley—No. 1 Canada	—	@	74

BOSTON.

Flour—Spring Wheat Pat's	6 00	@	6 75
Corn—Steamer Yellow	45½	@	47½
Oats—No. 2 White	32	@	37
Rye—State	65	@	70

WATERTOWN (MASS.) CATTLE MARKET.

Beef—Dressed weight	—	@	4½
Sheep—Live weight	3½	@	6½
Lambs	—	@	6½
Hogs—Northern	—	@	6¾

PHILADELPHIA.

Flour—Penn. family	4 25	@	4 50
Wheat—No. 2, Red, May	92	@	93
Corn—No. 2, Mixed, May	42⅝	@	42¾
Oats—Ungraded White	—	@	33
Potatoes—Early Rose	30	@	40
Butter—Creamery Extra	—	@	17
Cheese—Part skims	5	@	6

REV. DR. TALMAGE.

THE BROOKLYN DIVINE'S SUNDAY SERMON.

Subject: "New Springs of Joy."

TEXT: *"Thou hast given me a south land; give me also springs of water. And he gave her the upper springs, and the nether springs."*—Joshua xv., 19.

The City of Debir was the Boston of antiquity—a great place for brain and books. Caleb wanted it, and he offered his daughter Achsah as a prize to any one who would capture that city. It was a strange thing for Caleb to do; and yet the man who could take the city would have, at any rate, two elements of manhood—bravery and patriotism. With Caleb's daughter as a prize to fight for, Gen. Othniel rode into the battle. The gates of Debir were thundered into dust, and the city of books lay at the feet of the conquerors. The work done, Othniel comes back to claim his bride. Having conquered the city, it is no great job for him to conquer the girl's heart; for however faint hearted a woman herself may be, she always loves courage in a man. I never saw an exception to that. The wedding festivity having gone by, Othniel and Achsah are about to go to their new home. However loudly the cymbals may clash and the laughter ring, parents are always sad when a fondly cherished daughter goes off to stay; and Achsah, the daughter of Caleb, knows that now is the time to ask almost anything she wants of her father. It seems that Caleb, the good old man, had given as a wedding present to his daughter a piece of land that was mountainous, and sloping southward toward the deserts of Arabia, swept with some very hot winds. It was called "a south land." But Achsah wants an addition of property; she wants a piece of land that is well watered and fertile. Now it is no wonder that Caleb standing amidst the bridal party, his eyes so full of tears because she was going away that he could hardly see her at all, gives her more than she asks. She said to him: "Thou hast given me a south land; give me also springs of water. And he gave her the upper springs, and the nether springs."

What a suggestive passage! The fact is, that as Caleb, the father, gave Achsah, the daughter, a south land, so God gives to us His world. I am very thankful He has given it to us. But I am like Achsah in the fact that I want a larger portion. Trees and flowers, and grass, and blue skies are very well in their places; but he who has nothing but this world for a portion has no portion at all. It is a mountainous land, sloping off toward the desert of sorrow, swept by fiery siroccos; it is "a south land," a poor portion for any man that tries to put his trust in it. What has been your experience? What has been the experience of every man, of every woman that has tried this world for a portion? Queen Elizabeth, amid the surroundings of pomp, is unhappy because the painter sketches too minutely the wrinkles on her face, and she indignantly cries out: "You must strike off my likeness without any shadows!" Hogarth, at the very height of his artistic triumph, is stung almost to death with chagrin because the painting he had dediated to the King does not seem to be acceptable; for George II. cries out: "Who is this Hogarth? Take his trumpery out of my presence." Brinsley Sheridan thrilled the earth with his eloquence, but had for his last words: "I am absolutely undone." Walter Scott, fumbling around the inkstand trying to write, says to his daughter: "Oh, take me back to my room; there is no rest for Sir Walter but in the grave." Stephen Girard, the wealthiest man in his day, or, at any rate, only second in wealth, says: "I live the life of a galley slave; when I arise in the morning my one effort is to work so hard that I can sleep when it gets to be night." Charles Lamb, applauded of all the world, in the very midst of his literary triumph says: "Do you remember, Bridget, when we used to laugh from the shilling gallery at the play? There are now no good plays to laugh at from the boxes." But why go so far as that? I used to go no further than your street to find an illustration of what I am saying.

Pick me out ten successful worldlings—without any religion, and you know what I mean by successful worldlings—pick me out ten successful worldlings, and you cannot find more than one that looks happy. Care drags him across the bridge; care drags him back. Take your stand at 2 o'clock at the corner of Nassau and Wall streets, or at the corner of Canal street and Broadway, and see the agonized physiogomies. Your bankers, your insurance men, your importers, your wholesalers, and your retailers, as a class—as a class, are they happy? No. Care dogs their steps; and, making no appeal to God for help or comfort, they are tossed everywither. How has it been with you, my hearer? Are you more contented in the house of fourteen rooms than you were in the two rooms you had in a house when you started? Have you not had more care and worriment since you won that fifty thousand dollars than you did before? Some of the poorest men I have ever known have been those of great fortune. A man of small means may be put in great business straits, but the ghastliest of all embarrassments is that of the man who has large estates. The men who commit suicide because of monetary losses are those who cannot bear the burden any more, because they have only a hundred thousand dollars left.

On Bowling Green, New York, there is a house where Talleyrand used to go. He was a favorite man. All the world knew him, and he had wealth almost unlimited; yet, at the close of his life, he says: "Behold, eighty-three years have passed without any practical result, save fatigue of body and fatigue of mind, great discouragement for the future and great disgust for the past." Oh, my friends, this is "a south land," and it slopes off toward desserts of sorrows; and the prayer which Achsah made to her father Caleb, we make this day to our Father God: "Thou has given me a south land; give me also springs of water. And he gave them the upper springs, and the nether springs."

Blessed be God! We have more advantages given us than we can really appreciate. We have spiritual blessings offered us in this world which I shall call the nether springs, and glories in the world to come which I shall call the upper springs.

Where shall I finds words enough threaded with light to set forth the pleasure of religion? David, unable to describe it in words, played it on a harp. Mrs. Hemans, not finding enough power in prose, sings that praise in a canto. Christopher Wren, unable to describe it in language, sprung it into the arches of St. Paul's. John Bunyan, unable to present it in ordinary phrascology, takes all the fascination of allegory. Handel, with ordinary music unable to reach the height of the theme, rouses it up in an oratorio. Oh, there is no life on earth so happy as a really Christian life. I do not mean a sham Christian life, but a real Christian life. Where there is a thorn, there is a whole garland of roses. Where there is one groan, there are three doxologies. Where there is one day of cloud, there is a whole season of sunshine. Take the humblest Christian man that you know—angels of God canopy him with their white wings; the lightnings of heaven are his armed allies; the Lord is his Shepherd, picking out for him green pastures by still waters; if he walk forth, heaven is his body guard; if he lie down to sleep, ladders of light, angel blossoming, are let into his dreams; if he be thirsty, the potentates of heaven are his cup bearers; if he sit down to food, his plain table blooms into the King's banquet. Men say: "Look at that old fellow with the worn-out coat;" the angels of God cry: "Lift up your heads, ye everlasting gates, and let him come in!" Fastidious people cry: "Get off my front steps;" the doorkeepers of heaven cry: "Come, you blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom!" When he comes to die, though, he may be carried out in a pine box to the potter's field; to that potter's field the chariots of Christ will come down, and the cavalcade will crowd all the boulevards of heaven.

I bless Christ for the present satisfaction of religion. It makes a man all right with reference to the past; it makes a man all right with reference to the future. Oh these nether springs of comfort! They are perennial. The foundation of God standeth sure having this seal: "The Lord knoweth them that are His." "The mountains shall depart and the hills be removed, but My kindness shall not depart from the thee, neither shall the covenant of My peace be removed, saith the Lord, who hath mercy upon them." Oh, cluster of diamonds set in burnished gold! Oh, nether springs of comfort bursting through all the valleys of trial and tribulation! When you see, you of the world, what satisfaction there is on earth in religion, do you not thirst after it as the daughter of Caleb thirsted after the water springs? It is no stagnant pond, scummed over with malaria, but springs of water leaping from the Rock of Ages! Take up one cup of that spring water, and across the top of the chalice will float the delicate shadows of the heavenly wall, the yellow of jasper, the green of emerald, the blue of sardonyx, the fire of jacinth.

I wish I could make you understand the joy religion is to some of us. It makes a man happy while he lives, and glad when he dies. With two feet upon a chair and bursting with dropsies, I heard an old man in the poorhouse cry out: "Bless the Lord, oh my soul!" I looked around and said: "What has this man got to thank God for?" It makes the lame man leap like the hart, and the dumb sing. They say that the old Puritan religion is a juiceless and joyless religion; but I remember reading of Dr. Goodwin, the celebrated Puritan, who in his last moments said: "Is this dying? Why, my bow abides in strength! I am swallowed up in God." "Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace." Oh, you who have been trying to satisfy yourselves with the "south land" of this world, do you not feel that you would, this morning, like to have access to the nether springs of spiritual comfort? Would you not like to have Jesus Christ bend over your cradle and bless your table and heal your wounds, and strew flowers of consolation all up and down the graves of your dead?

'Tis religion that can give
Sweetest pleasures while we live;
'Tis religion can supply
Sweetest comfort when we die.

But I have something better to tell you, suggested by this text. It seems that old father Caleb on the wedding day of his daughter wanted to make her just as happy as possible. Though Othniel was taking her away, and his heart was almost broken because she was going, yet he gives her a "south land," not only that, but the nether springs; not only that, but the upper springs. O God, my Father, I thank Thee that Thou hast given me a "south land" in this world, and the nether springs of spiritual comfort in this world; but, more than all, I thank Thee for the upper springs in heaven.

It is very fortunate we cannot see heaven until we get into it. Oh, Christian man, if you could see what a place it is, we would never get you back again to the office or store or shop, and the duties you ought to perform would go neglected. I am glad I shall not see that world until I enter it. Suppose we were allowed to go on an excursion into that good land with the idea of returning. When we got there, and heard the song, and looked at their raptured faces, and mingled in the supernal society, we would cry out: "Let us stay! We are coming here anyhow. Why take the trouble of going back again to that old world? We are here now; let us stay." And it would take angelic violence to put us out of that world, if once we got there. But as people who cannot afford to pay for an entertainment sometimes come around it and look through the door ajar, or through the openings in the fence, so we come and look through the crevices in that good land which God has provided for us. We can just catch a glimpse of it. We come near enough to hear the rumbling of the eternal orchestra, though not near enough to know who blows the cornet or who fingers the harp. My soul spreads out both wings and claps them in triumph at the thought of those upper springs. One of them breaks from beneath the throne; another breaks forth from beneath the altar of the temple; another at the door of "the house of many mansions." Upper springs of gladness! Upper springs of light! Upper springs of love! It is no faucy of mine. "The Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall lead them to living fountains of water." Oh, Savior devine, roll in upon our souls one of those anticipated raptures! Pour around the roots of the parched tongue one drop of that liquid life! Toss before our vision those fountains of God, rainbowed with eternal victory. Hear it. They are never sick there; not so much as a headache, or twinge rheumatic, or thrust neuralgic. The inhabitant never says: "I am sick." They are never tired there. Flight to farthest world is only the play of a holiday. They never sin there. It is as easy for them to be holy as it is for us to sin. They never die there. You might go through all the outskirts of the great city and find not one place where the ground was broken for a grave. The eyesight of the redeemed is never blurred with tears. There is health in every cheek. There is spring in every foot. There is majesty on every brow. There is joy in every heart. There is hosanna on every lip. How they must pity us as they look over and down and see us, and say: "Poor things away down in that world." And when some Christian is hurled into a fatal accident, they cry: "Good! he is coming!" And when we stand around the couch of some loved one (whose strength is going away) and we shake our heads forebodingly, they cry: "I am glad he is worse; he has been down there long enough. There, he is dead! Come home! Come home!" Oh, if we could only get our ideas about that future world untwisted our thought of transfer from here to there would be as pleasant to us as it was to a little child that was dying. She said: "Papa, when will I go home?" And he said: "To-day, Florence." "To-day? So soon? I am so glad!"

I wish I could stimulate you with these thoughts, oh Christian man, to the highest possible exhilaration. The day of your deliverance is coming, is coming. It is rolling on with the shining wheels of the day, and the jet wheels of the night. Every thump of the heart is only a hammer stroke striking off another chain of clay. Better scour the deck and coil the rope, the harbor is only six miles away. Jesus will come down in the "Narrows" to meet you. Now is your salvation nearer than when you believed.

Unforgiven man, unpardoned man, will you not to-day make a choice between these two portions, between the "south land" of this world, which slopes to the desert, and this glorious land which thy Father offers thee, running with eternal water courses? Why let your tongue be consumed with thirst when there are the nether springs and the upper springs, comfort here and glory hereafter?

Let me tell you, my dear brother, that the silliest and wickedest thing a man ever does is to reject Jesus Christ. The loss of the soul is a mistake that cannot be corrected. It is a downfall that knows no alleviation; it is a ruin that is remediless; it is a sickness that has no medicament; it is a grave into which a man goes but never comes out. Therefore, putting my hand on your shoulder as one brother puts his hand on the shoulder of a brother, I say this day, be manly, and surrender your heart to Christ. You have been long enough serving the world; now begin to serve the Lord who bought you. You have tried long enough to carry these burdens; let Jesus Christ put His shoulder under your burden. Do I hear any one in the audience say: "I mean to attend to that after awhile; it is not just the time?" It is the time, for the simple reason that you are sure of no other; and God sends you here this morning, and He sent me here to comfort you with this message; and you must hear now that Christ died to save your soul, and that if you want to be saved you may be saved. "Whosoever will, let him come." You will never find any more convenient season than this. Some of you have been waiting ten, twenty, thirty, forty, fifty and sixty years. On some of you the snow has fallen. I see it on your brow, and yet you have not attended to those duties which belong to the very springtime of life. It is September with you now, it is October with you, it is December with you. I am no alarmist. I simply know this: If a man does not repent in this world he never repents at all, and that now is the accepted time, and now is the day of salvation. Oh, put off this matter no longer. Do not turn your back on Jesus Christ who comes to save you, lest you should lose your soul.

On Monday morning a friend of mine started from New York to celebrate her birthday with her daughter in Virginia. On Saturday of the same week, just after sunrise, I stood at the gate of Greenwood waiting for her silent form to come in. It is a long journey to take in one week—from New York to Philadelphia, from Philadelphia to Baltimore, from Baltimore to Washington, from Washington to Virginia, from Virginia into the great eternity. "What thy hand findeth to do, do it."

NEWSY GLEANINGS.

SPAIN owes $1,000,000,000.

OKLAHOMA is filling up rapidly.

CALIFORNIA has 3,956,000 sheep.

IMMENSE wheat crops are promised.

IDAHO has 7,000,000 acres of forests.

THE railroads are not making money.

YELLOW FEVER still prevails in Brazil.

WESTERN prairie hay is not selling well.

THERE are 969 saloons in Albany, N. Y.

THERE are thirty-three bridges in Chicago.

LONDON has fifty-nine fire engine stations.

IRON freight cars are coming into general use.

THERE is every promise of a large hay crop.

ELEVEN diplomatic missions remain unfilled.

FORTY salmon canneries are running in Alaska.

ENGLAND gets most of her ice now from Norway.

THE cost of the Eiffel tower alone was $800,000.

THERE are two cases of leprosy in New York city.

A LOT of Sioux Indians are on the warpath in Montana.

THE Hamburg Industrial Exhibition has been opened.

IN Sweden there is one suicide to every 98,375 people.

THE Chicago anarchists are showing unusual activity.

THE acreage of flax in Nebraska has been increased largely.

THE Methodist Episcopal church now has 2,143,237 communicants.

SAVANNAH, Ga., is said to be flooded with counterfeit silver dollars.

SURVEYORS in Oklahoma towns receive $65 a day for their work.

DISSATISFIED half-breeds in Manitoba threaten another rebellion.

A DEPOSIT of tin has been discovered about twenty miles from Topeka, Kan.

THERE appears to be a contagion of rabies among the dogs throughout the country.

THE Standard Oil Company will build the largest oil refinery in the world at Whiting, Ind.

THE area of oats in Kansas is reported at 1,901,463 acres against 1,656,821 acres last year.

THE watermelon crop, from the acreage planted, will probably be 2000 cars larger than last year.

SIR CHARLES RUSSELL'S fee for acting as counsel for the Parnellites before the Special Commission is $50,000.

THERE are 38,000 children in the New York schools in excess of the permitted number for the present teaching corps.

THE Canadian Fisheries Department is already sending out its armed cruisers to watch American fishermen.

THE cost of the Washington Centennial celebration in New York is estimated at $2,000,000, in round numbers.

THE United States war vessels Chicago, Boston, Atlanta and Yorktown are to be sent on a cruise around the world.

THE African Methodist Church has 12,000 churches, 10,000 ministers and contributes $2,000,000 annually for church work.

NEW YORK has purchased three electric-light dynamos with which to execute murderers under the new capital punishment law.

RETURNS of the commerce of the Suez Canal show that seventy-eight per cent. of the ships passing through the canal are British.

ADVICES from Brazil indicate that the death of the Emperor Dom Pedro, which seems to be imminent, may be followed by a revolution.

A FIREMAN'S FATE.

Dictating His Will While Slowly Roasting to Death.

A freight engine doing switching near Bailey Station, thirty-five miles from Denver, Col., came into collision with a boulder upon the track and was ditched. Fireman Charles Lappman was caught underneath a red hot fire box. He lay in this position with his head only out from under the machinery for an hour, suffering untold agony, no one being able to render assistance. Just before he died he called a brakeman and dictated his will, leaving $15,000 to his two brothers in San Francisco. He gave instructions regarding his funeral and who he desired to conduct the services, then offered prayer and died. The body was brought to Denver to be shipped to San Francisco. Several other train men were injured, but not seriously.

SABBATH SCHOOL.

INTERNATIONAL LESSON FOR MAY 26.

Lesson Text: "Jesus Betrayed," Mark xiv., 43-54—Golden Text: Luke xxii., 48—Commentary.

43. "And immediately, while He yet spake." They were in Gethsemane, whither Jesus had gone after the supper. Entering the garden He left eight of the disciples and took Peter, James and John a little farther with Him; then withdrawing Himself a little farther even from them, He kneeled down, fell on His face and prayed; He prayed earnestly, He sweat, as it were, great drops of blood falling down to the ground. (Luke xxii., 44). He offered up prayers and supplications with strong crying and tears. (Heb. v., 7.) Three times He prayed, saying the same words, returning to the disciples after each prayer, and each time finding them asleep. When He returned from praying the third time He added the words of verse 42: "Rise up, let us go; lo, he that betrayeth Me is at hand," and these are the words referred to in the opening sentence of our lesson. After Judas, being pointed out as the betrayer, left them, and Jesus had instituted the supper, He then spoke the wonderful words of John xiv., xv., xvi., and prayed as recorded in John xvii., after which they sung a hymn and then went out to Gethsemane.

44. "And he that betrayed Him had given them a token * * *." Judas, having received a band of men and officers from the chief priests and Pharisees, cometh thither with lanterns and torches and weapons (John xviii., 3), and he had instructed them that the one whom they would see him kiss was He whom they were to take and lead away safely.

45. "And as soon as he was come, he goeth straightway to Him, and saith, Master, Master, and kissed Him." How could Jesus, knowing it all, suffer Judas to come thus near to Him and kiss Him, only saying so meekly: "Judas, betrayest though the Son of Man with a kiss?" (Luke xxii., 48.) Oh, what long suffering! What entire yielding of Himself a sacrifice for sin! What complete renunciation of self! Can we by the grace of God yield ourselves so fully to Him that we will meekly accept even the hardest things as from Him and thus "Glorify the Lord in the fires." (Isa. xxiv., 15.)

46. "And they laid their hands on Him and took Him." What unholy hands to lay upon the Holy One; criminals worthy to die eternal death, laying hold upon their Judge who was ready to pardon them, sinners needing salvation, laying hold upon the only one who could save them, that they might put Him out of the way; man, the creature, laying hold upon God, the Creator, because they hated Him; was there ever such a sight? They took Him, not because they were able, but only because He suffered them.

47. "And one of them that stood by drew a sword, and smote a servant of the high priest, and cut off his ear." John xviii., 10, says that Simon Peter did it, and that the servant's name was Malchus; Luke xxii., 51, says that Jesus touched his ear and healed him; and Matt. xxvi., 52-54, says that Jesus told the disciples that they that take the sword perish with the sword, and that if it was necessary He could ask and receive from His Father more than a legion of angels for each of them, but if thus protected and delivered how would the Scriptures be fulfilled? How much blundering work we do, that the Saviour has to undo, because we rush hastily in the energy of the flesh instead of seeking and yielding to the Spirit of Christ.

48. "And Jesus answered and said unto them, Are ye come out as against a thief, with swords and with staves to take Me?" Both Matthew and Luke record the same question. Let some father or mother say how they would feel if the law should send its officers to arrest their son as a thief, he being innocent. If ever we are shamefully treated or spoken against, let us think of Jesus and be patient for His sake.

49. "I was daily with you in the temple teaching, and ye took Me not; but the scriptures must be fulfilled." Luke xxii., 53, adds: "This is your hour and the power of darkness." Such scriptures were being and about to be fulfilled as Psalms xxii., and lxix., Isaiah liii., etc., but His comfort as He looked up to His Father was: "Thou hast known My reproach, and My shame, and My dishonor. Mine adversaries are all before Thee." (Ps. lxix., 19). If people would say and do openly the mean and devilish things which they say and do behind one's back and in the dark, it would seem as if we could better refute and resist them; but then we would not have the fellowship with Jesus in His sufferings which we have by being treated as He was.

50. "And they all forsook Him and fled." Thus His words came true, and the sheep of the flock were scattered (Matt. xxvi., 31; Zec. xiii., 7); He looked for some to take pity, but there was none, and for comforters but found none. (Ps. lxix., 20). Sometimes Christians say that it seems as if they had no friends or few friends, or as if their friends were all failing them, but never was human heart on this earth so lonely for human friendship and fellowship as the heart of Jesus Christ; His own brethren did not believe in Him (John vii., 5); His disciples forsook Him and fled.

51, 52. "And there followed Him a certain young man, having a linen cloth cast about his naked body; * * *" Because Mark is the only one who records this incident, some think that Mark himself was the young man; that he had been awakened by the passing mob, and hastily throwing a sheet around him, had followed them, and now ventured to interpose on behalf of Jesus, or at least go with Him, but the mob laying hold of him, he left the linen cloth and fled from them naked. Peter had said that though he should die with Him, he would not in any wise deny Him (v. 31), but we know how that turned out, and now Peter with the rest had forsaken Him. This young man seems to be more courageous than all the disciples by following Jesus in this dark time of His desertion; but it is the way we hold out, and not the way we start, that tells; and so this would-be follower flees like the rest, and naked at that, for we are naked indeed when we turn our backs on Jesus (Rev. iii., 17).

53. "And they led Jesus away to the high priest." John xviii., 13, says that they bound Him, and led Him away; Isa. liii., 7, R. V., says: "As a lamb that is led to the slaughter." Think of their binding the hands that were ever stretched forth to bless, the hands that brought health to the leper, sight to the blind, speech to the dumb, and that took the little children up in His arms and blessed them. What had these hands ever done that they should be thus bound, and why does He not exert just a little of the power He gave to Samson and burst those wretched cords and slay His enemies? Do you ask why? Then hear the answer and cause every Sunday-school scholar to hear it: "For your sake He suffered it, for your sake He let them bind Him and lead Him as a lamb to the slaughter, for your sake He let them crucify Him, that you by His sufferings might be delivered from the wrath to come and made a child of God, a joint heir with Jesus Christ." Do you believe it? Do you receive Him? If so, how much gratitude do you show Him; how much insult and injury can you cheerfully bear for His sake; how much patience have you with those who do you wrong by word or deed?

54. "And Peter followed Him afar off;" that is no way to follow Jesus, and yet is it not just the way that many professing Christians follow Him?

"And he sat with the servants." Whosoever is not a servant of Christ is a servant of the devil, and these were no servants of Christ, and therefore no place for a servant of Christ to be found sitting.

"And warmed himself at the fire." Better for him to have frozen to death outside than to warm himself at that fire and then do as he did. Where, O reader, do you like to warm yourself? Are you ever found enjoying the company of those who know not Christ? If you enjoy above all things the camp fire of His followers, do you by a word of testimony or a word of prayer throw on the least little stick to help make the fire burn? God grant us all to follow fully and not afar off.—*Lesson Helper.*

LATER NEWS.

COLLECTOR ERHARDT, of New York, has discovered that the Prison Aid Society of London has been shipping ex-convicts to this country under contract to a man at Sequine, Texas. A rigid investigation is to be made.

MRS. MARY BRUNER, who lives near Harrisburg, Penn., has just celebrated her 102d birthday. She enjoys fine health, has black hair and is an inveterate smoker.

THREE of the persons implicated in the robbery of United States Paymaster Wham in Arizona have been captured.

LIGHTNING has done much damage in many places. At Leonardtown, Md., Judge John L. Milburn was struck and instantly killed. The ten-year-old son of M. Dorsey met a similar fate near Chamberlain, Dakota. At Eldora, Ia., ten valuable horses were killed.

R. Y. THOMAS, editor of the Caseyville (Ky.) *Herald*, shot and killed George Elmore, and himself received wounds in the stomach and side. The shooting grew out of a reference to Elmore in Thomas's paper.

NELSON COLBERT (colored), who murdered Philip Wentzell, the Superintendent of the Columbia street car stables in October last, was hanged at the District jail.

THE little girls attending the Jefferson Public School in Washington were standing in the aisles of the school-room, waiting for dismissal, when their teacher, Mrs. Sarah E. Allen, was fatally shot in their presence by her worthless husband, who then killed himself.

TROOPS fired upon strikers near Breslau, Germany, killing a number of people.

THE Parnell Commission is still examining witnesses for the defense. It will not make its report to the House of Commons until next February.

QUEEN MARY, of Bavaria, mother of King Otto, is dead in her sixty-fifth year.

CHRISTIANS are being massacred by Turks on the Montenegrin frontier.

A SUGAR factory in Cuba worth $400,000 has been burned.

AN express train struck a market wagon near Fernwood, Penn., and instantly killed James McCartney, the owner, and his grandson, James Cumberland.

THE Almy Manufacturing Company, of Philadelphia, manufacturers of ladies' fine clothes, has failed for $200,000.

A DENSE fog caused the Servia to strand in Gedney's Channel, New York Harbor, and delayed the outgoing Transatlantic fleet. The ship Algoma went ashore off Long Branch, N. J. Pilot boat Charlotte Webb was run down and sunk by the French line steamer La Normandie, and Captain Albert C. Malcolm, one of the pilots, and Charles Fitzgerald, the boat-keeper, were drowned. The steamer Guyandotte ran into the Comal off Bay Ridge, and both were seriously damaged.

DELEGATES from fifteen of the principal block coal mines of Indiana, representing over 2000 men, met at Brazil, Ind., rejected the operators' demand for twenty cents reduction, and declared a strike by a two-thirds vote.

THE business portion of Huntinburg, Ind., was destroyed by fire. Loss $175,000.

AN eight-year-old girl and an eleven-year-old boy, children of Gabriel Steadman, murdered their baby sister in Columbia, S. C., because she cried.

A PARTY of colored men were returning to Vicksburg, Miss., from the Louisiana shore in two skiffs, and when near the foot of West Pass the passengers in one of them, frightened by the wind and waves, capsized the boat. Nine of them were drowned, one little girl alone escaping.

BITTER feeling, engendered by an election for School Directors in Forest City, Ark., resulted in the killing of three white and one colored man. Marshal Frank Folbre was shot down first, but before he died he killed Sheriff D. M. Wilson and Thomas Parham. A. M. Neely, a prominent colored politician, charged with causing the trouble, took refuge in a newspaper office, but was hunted down and riddled with bullets.

SECRETARY BLAINE has appointed Louis Dent his Private Secretary in place of Thomas H. Sherman, the new Consul to Liverpool. Mr. Dent is a nephew of Mrs. General Grant, and assisted Mr. Blaine in the preparation of his "Twenty Years of Congress."

THE Comptroller of the Currency decided to allow the claim of John Davenport, of New York, for $3200 for extraordinary expenses during the election last fall.

HURRICANES swept over Saxony, Hesse and Thuringia, accompanied by torrential rains. A number of bridges were destroyed and many lives were lost.

MR. FERNANDO CRUZ has been appointed Minister of Guatemala to the United States, in place of Mr. F. Lainfiesta.

THE State Treasurer of Indiana announces that there is the sum of $10 in the State Treasury, and asks that he be provided with a burglar-proof safe, as somebody is liable to get away with the money.

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Constitutional Amendment.

The additional article to the State Constitution to be designated as Article XIX, and to be voted on June 18, is as follows:

Article XIX.

The manufacture, sale or keeping for sale of intoxicating liquor to be used as a beverage is hereby prohibited; and any violation of this prohibition shall be a misdemeanor punishable as shall be provided by law.

The manufacture, sale or keeping for sale of intoxicating liquor for other purposes than as a beverage may be allowed in such a manner only as may be prescribed by law. The General Assembly shall, at the first session succeeding the adoption of this article of the Constitution, enact laws with adequate penalties for its enforcement.

THE CIDER QUESTION.

The liquor dealers are extremely anxious on account of farmers who make cider from apples, and are trying their best to scare them into voting against the Constitutional Amendment by asserting that if it carries, no more cider can be made. They must suppose that farmers have no sense. As the law now stands, farmers can make cider and sell it until fermentation makes it hard or intoxicating, after that no farmer can sell cider without a license from the court, costing seventy-five dollars at least. If he does he can be convicted, fined five hundred dollars and put in prison three months. When the proposed amendment is adopted, the farmer can do precisely what he does now: he can make all the cider he pleases and sell it to whom he pleases until it becomes hard or intoxicating, and then he cannot sell it any more than he can now without breaking the law, but he can keep it until it changes to vinegar, and then sell. In either case he will be no better and no worse off than he is at present. Who ever heard of a farmer being convicted for selling cider not intoxicating "What has been will be."

Ex-Chief Justice Agnew, who was one of the ablest jurists that ever sat in the Supreme Court, says this is the law of the case. The present Supreme Court says substantially in a recent opinion that this is the law, by deciding that in every case the question whether cider sold in intoxicating must be submitted to the jury, if found not intoxicating, there can be no conviction for selling. Who says this is not the law? A lot of saloon-keepers who fear that their miserable business of making drunkards and robbing women and children is in danger.

The farmers will not take their law from the saloon-keepers instead of Judge Agnew and the Supreme Court, because farmers have sense.

This is all there is in the cider question.

HENRY W. PALMER, Chairman.

MEMORIAL DAY.

Old Soldiers Called Upon to Commemorate the Memory of their Dead Comrades.

Headquarters Department of Penn'a., Grand Army of the Republic, N. E. Cor. 10th and Chestnut Sts.

General Orders, No. 9.

PHILADELPHIA, MAY 7th, 1889.

COMRADES: We are nearing another Memorial Day, when will be strewn the sweetest and fairest flowers of springtime on the graves in which sleep the Nation's patriot dead. Since the flowers of May were last strewn upon soldier graves, fresh mounds have been raised on which will be placed the stars and stripes, indicating to us that the brave men who sleep beneath have taken their place in the ranks of the dead.

On Memorial Day, comrades living pay tribute to comrades dead, but they alone will not pay homage to fallen heroes. Rich floral offerings will come from those home circles whose flower beds have not been trampled upon by war, over whose fire-place no old musket hangs, where the presence of rusty sword and scabbard, faded coat of blue or old canteen, shall not play over the harpstrings of love and of memory. The nation that reverences her patriot dead will always have patriots ready to serve her.

Kind hands will not deck the graves of all who fell in defence of the Union. Some their resting-place unmarked, and upon which no tear shall e'er be shed or flower strewn, except as the pearly tear of dew shall fall or the wild flower lend its beauty and fragrance to adorn the spot. Some sleep in the silent cities of the dead upon their own native hillsides, were the loving hands of friends and kindred will weave the wreath of remembrance and lay it upon their grave. Others sleep in National cemeteries near their old camping-grounds, undisturbed by bugle blast or roll of drum. Others sleep peacefully in the embrace of the mighty deep. All were patriots, whose services the Nation willingly acknowledges and gratefully remembers. Loving them and revering their memory let us learn from them lessons of manliness, of honor, of devotion, of loyalty to country and to flag. The safety of the Republic rests upon th patriotism of coming generations.

Upon the Grand Army of the Republic rests a responsibility to keep Memorial Day sacred to the purpose for which it was instituted. In this spirit and for this purpose let us join with all the people in reverantly bowing at the graves of the men who kept our land united, our flag unsullied, and gave to liberty an abiding place, and remembering their heroism, their sacrifice and their death, consecrate ourselves anew and those who come after us in the progress of the centuries to the safety, perpetuity and advancement of the Republic.

II. The various Posts of this department will arrange for the proper observance of Memorial Day, May 30th, 1889, and every comrade in the department is urged to not only participate in the ceremony, but by his deportment reflect credit upon himself, his Post and the Grand Army of the Republic.

III. In all localities where a division of the work is necessary, Posts should appoint conference committees to properly divide and outline the work. Other organizations should also be invited to co-operate.

IV. It is recommended that Posts attend Divine Worship on the Sunday next preceding Memorial Day.

By command of Department Commander, Thos. J. Stewart,

James McCormick,
Asst. Adjt. General.

Words of Wisdom.

We may be ruined by excessive use of good things.

The greatest of fools is he who imposes on himself.

There is always a spot in our sunshine; it is a shadow of ourselves.

"Almost" is the difference between the conscientious man and the liar.

If conscience smite thee once it is admonition; if twice, it is a condemnation.

Always hold fast to love. We win by tenderness, and conquer by forgiveness.

Many men will work harder for a day's pleasure than they will for a weeks wages.

The chains of habit are generally too small to be felt till they are too strong to be broken.

When a man has not good reason for doing a thing, he has one good reason for letting it alone.

The greatest pleasures often originate in pain, and the worst pains usually spring out of pleasure.

Only what we have wrought into our character during life can we take with us into the other world.

Silence is the softest response for all the contradictions that arise from impertinence, vulgarity and envy.

Only in rare cases do people stumble upon profitable success. We must work for it, and the work must be well directed.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

FOR SHERIFF.

I respectfully announce myself as a candidate for the office of Sheriff, subject to the decision of the Republican county convention.

JACKSON LAMBERSON.

Huntingdon, Pa., April 30, '89.

I hereby respectfully announce myself as a candidate for the office of Sheriff, subject to the decision of the Republican county convention.

THOS. M. OAKS,

Huntingdon, Pa., May 17, 1889.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

Schedule in effect November 25th 1888.

LEAVE WESTWARD. Pacific Express.	Way Passenger.	Altoona Accommodat'n.	STATIONS.	LEAVE EASTWARD. Sea Shore Express.	Mail.	Altoona Accom.
p. m.	a. m.	a.m.		p. m.	p.m.	a. m.
11 25	4 30		Philadelphia	3 15		
a. m.				a. m.		
3 10	8 15	4 14	Harrisburg	11 40	7 00	10 05
	8 33	4 33	Marysville	11 22	6 39	9 47
3 38	8 54	4 49	Duncannon	11 05	6 21	9 30
4 00	9 26	5 16	Newport	10 36	5 55	9 00
	9 52	5 36	Thompsout'n	10 17	5 26	8 37
4 34	10 13	5 54	Port Royal	10 01	5 09	8 17
4 39	10 20	6 00	Mifflin	9 56	5 03	8 12
5 01	10 46	6 23	Lewistown Jn	9 34	4 38	7 45
	10 55	6 32	Granville	9 27	4 29	7 37
5 22	11 14	6 48	McVeytown	9 10	4 12	7 22
5 40	11 39	7 10	N. Hamilton	8 50	3 51	7 02
5 46	11 46	7 15	Mt. Union	8 44	3 46	6 57
5 54	11 55	7 22	MAPLETON	8 36	3 38	6 50
6 00	12 03	7 29	Mill Creek	8 31	3 32	6 44
6 12	12 17	7 40	Huntingdon	8 20	3 20	6 33
6 25	12 31	7 54	Petersburg	8 05	3 06	6 20
6 33	12 40	8 01	Barree	7 58	2 59	6 14
6 40	12 46	8 07	Spruce Creek	7 52	2 53	6 09
6 54	12 59	8 20	Birmingham	7 47	2 42	5 58
7 00	1 07	8 26	Tyrone	7 35	2 36	5 52
7 11	1 16	8 34	Tipton	7 25	2 26	5 44
7 22	1 26	8 44	Bellwood	7 17	2 18	5 36
7 30	1 32	8 49	Elizabeth Fur	7 13	2 11	5 31
7 45	1 45	9 00	Altoona	7.00	1 06	5 20
12 45			Pittsburg		6 55	
p. m.	p. m.	a.m.		p. m.	a.m.	a. m.

Mail Express east leaves Altoona at 6:20 p. m., daily, Tyrone, 6:52; Birmingham, 6:59; Spruce Creek, 7:10; Petersburg, 7:22; Huntingdon, 7:37; Mapleton, 7:53; Mount Union, 8:00; Harrisburg, 10:45 and arrives at Philadelphia at 4:25 a. m.

Fast Line leaves Philadelphia daily at 11:50 a. m., Mount Union 6:11 p. m.; Huntingdon, 6:30; Altoona, 7:50 and arrives at Pittsburg at 11:55 p. m.

Day Express east leaves Pittsburg at 8:00 a. m., daily, Altoona, 11:50 a. m., Huntingdon, 12:48 p. m., Mount Union, 1:08; Harrisburg, 3:40, and arrives at Philadelphia at 6:50 p. m.

Philadelphia Express east leaves daily, (except Sunday) Pittsburg at 4:30 p. m., Altoona, 9:05; Huntingdon 10:12; Harrisburg, 1:00 a. m., and arrives at Philadelphia at 4:25 a. m.

Fast Line east leaves Pittsburg at 9 00 p. m., daily, Altoona, 1:00 a. m., Huntingdon, 2:00; Harrisburg, 5:00, and arrives at Philadelphia at 8:25 a. m.

Mail train west leaves Philadelphia daily at 7:00 a. m., Harrisburg, 11:20; Mount Union, 1:50 p. m., Huntingdon, 2:10; Altoona, 3:30, and arrives at Pittsburg at 8:20 p. m.

HUNTINGDON AND BROAD TOP MOUNTAIN RAILROAD.

New Schedule Nov. 29th, 1888.

SOUTH Mail	Exp'ss	STATIONS.	NORTH Fast Line	Day Expr's
a. m.	a. m.		p. m.	p. m.
6 35	8 25	Huntingdon	6 20	12 15
6 45	8 35	McConl'st'n	6 09	12 02
6 52	8 41	Grafton	6 05	11 58
7 03	8 51	Marklesb'g	5 55	11 48
7 10	9 00	Entriken	5 45	11 40
f7 22	9 12	Cove	5 30	11 28
7 35	9 25	Saxton	5 22	11 15
7 48	9 40	Riddlesburg	5 06	11 02
7 53	9 45	Hopewell	5 02	10 57
8 05	9 55	Cypher	f4 52	10 47
8 15	10 08	Tatesville	4 41	10 38
8 21	10 17	Everett	4 33	10 28
8 25	10 20	Mt. Dallas.	4 30	10 25
		Bedford		
p. m.	a. m.		p. m.	a. m.

"f" Flag Stations.

Trains over Shoup's Branch leave Saxton at 9:35 and arrive at Dudley at 10:05 a. m. Leave Dudley at 4:30 and arrive at Saxton at 5:00 p. m.

GEO. F. GAGE, Supt.

EAST BROAD TOP RAILROAD.

To take effect at 6:00 a. m., on Wednesday, Aug. 1, 1888.

SOUTH. Mixed, No. 10.	Mixed, No. 8.	Mail, No. 2.	STATIONS.	NORTH. Mail, No. 1.	Mixed, No. 7.	Mixed, No. 9
p. m.	a. m.	p.m.		a. m.	a.m.	p. m.
6 42	11 57	4 16	Robertsdale	9 15	6 00	1 10
6 29	11 44	4 05	Cook's	9 26	6 13	1 23
6 21	11 36	3 57	Rocky Ridge	9 34	6 21	1 31
6 15	11 30	3 52	Cole's	9 39	6 27	1 37
5 40	10 54	3 22	Saltillo	10 09	6 57	2 06
5 20	10 45	3 15	Three Springs	10 16	7 05	2 14
5 08	10 29	3 01	*Beersville	10 29	7 20	2 27
4 52	10 04	2 47	Rockhill	10 42	7 35	2 42
4 22	9 34	2 16	Shirley	10 58	7 55	3 02
4 12	9 25	2 08	*Augh. Mills	11 06	8 05	3 11
3 54	9 05	1 55	Mount Union	11 20	8 25	3 30

Express No. 3, moving north leaves Rockhill at 12:30, arriving at Mt. Union at 1 p. m,

Express No. 4, moving south leaves Mount Union at 11:50 a. m., arriving at Rockhill at 12:20 p. m.

SHADE GAP BRANCH.

WEST. No. 14	No. 12	STATIONS.	EAST No. 11	No. 13
p. m.	a. m.		a. m.	p. m.
6 28	9 40	L Rockhill A	6 30	4 47
6 21	9 33	*Blacklog	6 37	4 54
6 13	9 25	*Cedar Rock	9 45	5 02
6 09	9 21	*Locke Vall'y	6 49	5 06
6 03	9 15	*Shade Gap	6 55	5 12
5 51	8 58	Stair	7 07	5 24
5 42	8 49	A Goshorn L	7 16	5 33

* Flag stations.

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"Lola"	" "	2.30
Bran,	" "	1.00
Shorts,	" "	1.15
Corn Meal,	" "	1.60
Oats, per bushel,		.30 to .40
Rye, " "		.65
Corn (Shelled), per bush.		.60
" " " "		.60
Screenings,	" "	.50
Chop, per cwt.,		1.00, 1.25, 1.50
" " ton,		19.00, 23,00, 27.00

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The Mapleton Item.

Mapleton Depot, Penn'a, May 22, 1889.

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Police-Officers—James Montgomery, R. N. McCarl.

SECRET SOCIETIES.

Mapleton Lodge, No. 468, I. O. O. F. meets every Saturday evening, at 7 o'clock, in Rex' Hall. J. B. Ewing, N. G.; J. K. Gillam, Secretary.

Aldema Lodge, Daughters of Rebeka, No. 188, meets first and third Monday evenings of each month. H. H. Swope, N. G.; Miss Laura Gillam, Secretary.

Washington Camp, No. 59, Patriotic Order Sons of America meets every Tuesday evening, at 8 o'clock, in Rex's Hall. Juniata Council (White Degree) meets first Tuesday evening of each month, immediately after adjournment of Camp. Elmer E. Bell, President; George W. Wright, Secretary.

Harry Corbin Post, No. 200, G. A. R. meets first and third Friday evenings of each month, in Rex's Hall.

CHURCHES.

Methodist Episcopal Church—Rev. C. L. Benscoter, pastor. Preaching every Sunday, alternating morning and evening. Sunday-school, 9 o'clock, a. m. Prayer-meeting every Wednesday evening. Young Men's prayer-meeting every Friday evening.

Church officials—Stewards, A. Heeter, T. M. Logan, H. H. Swope, I. N. Swope, J. P. Wilson, H. R. Gurd. Trustees, A. Heeter, D. H. Foster, R. S. Henderson, J. P. Wilson, Martin Wilson, A. Broombaugh, H. R. Gurd, Benj. O'Connor. Superintendent, Sunday-school, D. H. Foster; Secretary, J. A. Brumbaugh.

Presbyterian Church—Rev. D. H. Campbell, pastor. Preaching every other Sabbath, alternating morning and afternoon (3 o'clock). Sunday-school, 9:30, a. m. Prayer-meeting every Sunday and Thursday evenings.

Church officials—Elders, W. H. Rex, A. W. Swope, Samuel Hatfield, B. F. Baker. Deacon, W. W. Wright. Trustees, V. B. McCarthy, Samuel Hatfield, W. W. Wright. Superintendent, Sunday-school, B. F. Baker; Secretary, W. E. Bitner.

U. B. Church—Rev. W. Cramer, pastor. Preaching every Sabbath, alternating morning and evening. Sunday-school, 9, a. m. Prayer-meeting every Thursday evening.

Church officials—Trustees, E. Robley, A. M. Parker, Philip Hooper, J. K. Robley, B. F. Godard. Leader, E. Robley; Assistant Leader, B. F. Slates. Steward, J. K. Robley. Superintendent, Sunday-school, B. F. Godard; Secretary, A. M. Parker.

LOCAL NOTES.

—New bark is coming in in large quantities.

—See new advertisement of W. W. McCracken.

—C. W. Mattern last week moved into his new house.

—Elmer E. McCarl will move into his new house this week.

—Hon. P. M. Lytle has our thanks for much appreciated favors.

—Harry Eade, of Logan, Sundayed with friends in this place.

—Frank Kyle, who is employed at Altoona, spent Sunday in this place.

—Rev. W. Cramer will preach in the U. B. church, next Sunday evening.

—George B. Curry has put up a neat awning in front of his place of business.

—Rev. C. L. Benscoter will preash in the M. E. church, next Sunday evening.

—Carpenters commenced work on the Presbyterian church, yesterday morning.

—Mrs. W. B. Stone and Mrs. J. B. Dell visited friends in Harrisburg, last week.

—Miss May Fetterhoof, of Warriorsmark, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Dr. Spangler.

—Among our visitors last week were, S. B. Green and Isaac Dell, of Cass township.

—J. P. Wilson has broken ground for a fine residence on his lot, opposite the station.

—John K. Gillam is having a fine porch built in front of his house, on Main street.

—M. L. Rex has built an addition to his tenement house, occupied by P. M. Hooper.

—Rev. I. N. Moorehead is expected to deliver the oration at this place on Memorial day.

—William Gurd and G. D. Wood are serving their country in the capacity of jurymen, this week.

—Owing to the illness of the teacher, Miss Louie Hooper, school has been closed this week.

—Mrs. Martha Robison, of Port Royal, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. E. E. Bell, of this place.

—Engineer J. M. Nelson and Commissioners D. Griffith and Robt. McNeal were in town, last week, on business pertaining to the new bridge.

—Samuel Spangler left yesterday morning, to visit his daughter, Mrs. Rev. G. W. Stroup, at Williamsport.

—George Howard and wife, of Huntingdon, spent Sunday with Mrs. Howard's mother, Mrs. Mary Kelley.

—George Bouse and wife and G. B. Lever, of Tyrone, were the guests of Dr. J. G. and James Spangler, last Sunday.

—John A. Brumbaugh left on Monday for Mehaffey, Clearfield county, where he has secured a position in a tannery.

—J. K. Robley has been busily engaged for some time, putting in screen doors and windows for our citizens. The people of Mapleton don't want "any flies on them."

—J. G. Allison, of Brady township, was in town on Monday, looking after his political interests. He is a popular man and will be urged for the nomination of sheriff.

—I carry the largest stock and greatest variety of moulding in Huntingdon county and make a specialty of picture-framing. Give me a call. G. W. Bunn, Huntingdon.

—A sand-stone door-sill has been cut for the Presbyterian church, which measures 6 feet 3 inches in length, 2 feet 4 inches in width, 8 inches thick, and weighs about 2,000 ponnds.

—Cabinet-making and upholstering. Prompt attention, low prices, and fine workmanship in all branches of the business. Picture-framing a specialty. G. W. Bunn, Mifflin street, Huntingdon.

—Bruce Yocum and wife and Mrs. Mattie Stever were at Cassville, last Saturday, in attendance at a birthday party, given in honor of Mrs. Rachel Stever, an aged and venerable lady of that place.

—Miss Nellie Jones, day operator at the tower, is enjoying a three days' vacation, and is visiting friends at Harrisburg. During her absence, her place is being filled by Charles Stahl, of McVeytown.

—The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, I. O. O. F., convened at York yesterday. Past Grands M. L. Rex and J. D. McDonald are in attendance, the former as representative of Mapleton Lodge, No. 468.

—Mrs. John Dougherty and children, of Ryde, were in town on Monday. From her, we learn that her husband is again confined to the house. He has had a wearisome time of it during the past winter.

—D. H. Foster left last week for the gold regions of North Carolina. David Etnier, of Mount Union, accompanied him. Mr. Foster has promised to contribute some articles to the Item from the "sunny south-land."

—W. H. Mounts left on Monday morning for Riddlesburg, where will be employed for some time in assisting to develope a sand business, which will be operated by a stock company, composed in part of Mapleton men.

—James Harper, of Shirley township, died of heart disease, last Thursday, aged 75 years, He was seated in a chair, writing, and turned to speak to a member of the family, when he fell from his seat and expired. He was director of the poor for a number of terms.

—The damage done by the storm of the 10th inst. to the bark sheds has been repaired, and in addition thereto a new shed 40x400 feet and 30 feet high to the square is being built. This new shed will have a capacity of 5,000 tons.

—Bishop Weaver, in his address at the General Conference of the U. B. church at York, Pa., reported an enrollment of 207,800; an increase of 39,250 in four years; 4,451 organized societiss; 3,509 Sabbath schools with an attendance of 251,872; value of church property, $4,159,120.

—Mrs. Samuel Hatfield went to Alexandria on Monday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Ellen McKibben whose remains were interred at the above named place yestered. Mrs. McKibben died at Huntingdon on Monday morning. She was the wife of Professor Henry McKibben, who for many years was principal of the Alexandria schools. She was aged 66 years.

—Mrs. Jennie B. Rhodes, wife of Dr. E. M. Rhodes, died at her residence in Mt. Union yesterday morning at five o'clock She had been afflicted for several months with disease of the stomach. Deceased was aged abonut 33 years, was a member of the Presbyterian church, and held in high esteem. She was a daughter of William Fields, of Mifflin county. The remains were interred at Mount Union yesterday evening.

—Mapleton Lodge, No. 468, I. O. O. F., had the pleasure of a fraternal visit from the following brothers, last Saturday evening: Past Grands Joseph Wingate, J. H. Glazier, S. C. Coder, Abram Etter, L. R. Brown, H. W. Miller, I. H. Edwards, H. D. Strickler, N. G., A. G. Edwards and members Alex Trimble, George Numer, J. B. Boring, A. Menold, Frank Deforrest, J. O. McMonigal, J. B. Richardson, J. Stouffer, B. F. Gorsuch, and J. W. Rousch, of Juniata Lodge No. 117, of Huntingdon; W. S. Bair and G. W. Warfel, of Altoona Lodge No. 473, L. C. Postlewaite, of Turtle Creek Lodge, No. 777, of Turtle Creek, Allegheny county, Joseph Horton, of Broad Top Lodge No. 579, and T. M. Wood, of Mount Union Lodge, No. 677, The Lodge had work in the Initiatory, First and Third degrees and it was near midnight before the session closed. The visiting brethern seemed well pleased with their visit, while the Lodge much appreciated the call.

—L. M. Speer and wife spent Sunday with Mrs. Speer's parents at Tyrone.

—Mrs. A. B. Gillam, of Tyrone, visited among her many friends in Mapleton, this week.

—All persons having lots in the cemetery are requested to clean them up and have them in good condition before Memorial day.

—The following Huntingdon county postmasters were appointed on Monday: W. W. Crotsley, Hare's Valley; J. E. Shope, Cora; D. W. Mortar, Thisbe.

—John S. Henderson has secured the agency for three valuable books, viz: "Road to heaven," "Guests of the heart," and "Room at the top," and will commence canvassing for the same this week. Mr. Henderson has had considerable experience canvassing and as his books are in themselves valuable, he will no doubt make a success of the business.

—Huntingdon's new military company was sworn in on Monday evening. The following officers were elected: Capt. John S. Bare; First-Lieutenant, J. C. Dunkle; Second Lieutenant, Elmer W. Stewart. No efforts will be spared to make the company one of the best in the regiment and with such officers success is resonably certain.

—The Washington House, corner 7th and Penn streets, Huntingdon, under the management of R. A. Ramsey, has become an excellent hostelry. Guests are made to feel at home, the culinary department is all that can be desired, and no attentious are neglected that will add to the comfort of patrons. When you stop in Huntingdon, try the Washington House.

—Mrs. J. D. Sloan and J. A. McHugh and wife attended a birthday party at Huntingdon last Thursday given in the honor of Mrs. Margaret A. Rhodes. There were present 4 children, 14 grand children and 3 great-grand children. A sumptious repast was served and the occasion was one long to be remembered, and was much enjoyed by the venerable lady.

—Michael and Alfred Broombaugh and families went to Mill Creek last Saturday to attend a surprise birthday party given in honor of their brother, Jere M. Broombaugh. In the evening the Mapleton cornet band was taken up and serenaded the party. An excellent supper was prepared of which all partook to their satisfaction and the occasion was a very enjoyable one.

—Experience has taught me that it is better to keep all oil or grease from the hair. Don't let the barbers put oil on it. I find wetting with water best. At least once a week rub the yoke of an egg, or half of it, well in the hair and scalp, and rinse off thoroughly with tepid water. It promotes growth and color probably largely due to the sulphur in the egg. This course has started a new growth of hair which, while not very thick, is better than none at all—*Scientific American.*

—Reuben Chilcott, a native of Union township, died at his home in Salina, Iowa, April 27, 1889, aged 77 years and 2 weeks. His wife, who was a sister of ex-sheriff Greenland, died several years ago. Mr. Chilcott moved to Iowa 38 years ago where he continued to reside until the time of his death. He was a brother of ex-congressman Hon. G. M. Chilcott, of Colorado, and was highly esteemed. Few remain of the heads of Trough Creek families but their descendants do credit to the memory of the early pioneers.

J. R. Simpson's Lecture.

As previously announced, J. R. Simpson, Esq., of Huntingdon, lectured in the U. B. church, on last Wednesday evening, on the Constitutional Amendment. His discourse was clear and practical, presenting the rum-traffic as it is and not indulging in any highly exaggerated comparisons. He drew the line just where it should be drawn, and argued very intelligently from this standpoint, making clear, we believe, to every mind present, the good that must follow the adoption of the Amendment. His remarks were plain and pointed, striking and lodging where many others have failed to make effect. Mr. Simpson lectured for over an hour, and held the undivided attention of the large audience before him throughout his entire discourse.

Getting Rich by Small Inventions.

A minister in England made $50,000 by inventing an odd toy that danced by winding it with a string.

The New Jersey man who hit upon the idea of attaching a rubber tip to the end of lead pencils is worth $200,000.

The man who invented the return ball, an ordinary wooden ball, with a rubber string attached to pull it back, made $1,000,000 from it.

The person who invented the most recent popular toy, "Pigs in Clover," will be rich before the leaves turn this autumn. He was poor last November.

As large a sum as was ever obtained for any invention was enjoyed by the Yankee who invented the inverted glass bell to hang over gas jets to protect ceilings from being blackened by smoke.

Every one has seen the metal plates that are used to protect the heels and soles of rough shoes, but every one doesn't know that within ten years the man who hit upon the idea has made $250,000.

The miner who invented a metal rivet or eyelet at each end of the mouth of coat and trousers pockets to resist the strain caused by the carriage of pieces of ore and heavy tools, has made more money from his letters patent than he would have made had he struck a good vein of gold-bearing quartz.

—The Pennsylvania railroad has introduced an innovation from which excellent results are anticipated. It is an attachment of hose with steam pump which can be at once brought into requisition in case of fire. This will be especially valuable in winter when the car stoves are supposed to be doing their best to burn cars and passengers. In the numerous tests already made the apparatus had power enough to throw a stream of water over the tallest building. The hose will be the length of six cars and will be carried on the tender, and the crew will be trained in its use.

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We have secured the agency for the famous W. L. Douglas shoes. We have bought a big supply of them, but, owing to the heavy demand upon the manufacturers for this shoe, our order will not be filled until about the first of June. The merits of this shoe are so well known that it is almost needless to enlarge upon them, but you should not fail to see them when they arrive.

We have received another invoice of Notions and Hosiery, which makes our stock second to none. All the new Notions in the Market will be found at our store. In the new stock, you will find some fine Percal Shirts, very cheap; also, an elegant assortment of Ladies' and Gents' Hose.

Many people have concluded that Woollen Shirts are more pleasant, more durable, and just as cool in warm weather as cotton shirts. We have more woollen shirts in stock than we care to pack away and will sell them at a bargain. Woollen Hose will be sold in the same way. We have plenty of Cotton Shirts to supply those who prefer them.

Remember, we carry a heavy stock of all kinds of Merchandise.

Refpectfully,

J. G. GILLAM.

PARIS EXPOSITION.

Some Unique Features of the Great World's Fair.

The Most Elaborate and Magnificent Exhibition Ever Held.

A correspondent of the New York *Sun* who is doing the Paris Exposition says of the great show: I have seen most of the great exhibitions of recent years in different parts of the world, but I have no hesitancy in saying that I have never yet seen an exhibition which even approached in magnificence and in elaboration of detail the present exhibition in Paris. The public will not walk from one building to another in mud and on newly-built roads, for the grounds have been laid out in a fashion that will last for centuries. The steps and the terraces are of marble and granite. All walls are of stone, the fountains are magnificently constructed, and all the details of the great work have been carried out on a scale which suggests future ages as well as the year 1889. The exposition grounds form a world which is destined to last.

Perhaps after the Eiffel Tower, one of the most unique features of the exposition is the "History of Human Habitations," which has been organized by Charles Garnier, the eminent architect of the famous Grand Opera House in Paris. This is an exceedingly curious exhibition, and, as I fancy, must ever have the germ of novelty. It runs parallel with the Champ de Mars, and the fac-simile of habitations of mankind which it exhibits date from the remotest periods, when men lived in holes and caves, to the elegant marbles of the Renaissance. In order to arrange his history more clearly Garnier has divided it into two parts—the prehistoric and the historic. In the first division are included the subterranean dwellers and the savages who lived in caves, while the second division includes every form of architecture known to history. In this valuable collection Garnier traces the progress of men from the dim periods of the stone and metal ages to the frail shelter of the South Sea Islanders, the snow huts of the Esquimaux, the straw hut krall of the African, the gloomy villa of the Arab, the gaudy palaces of Peru and Mexico, the Oriental, Grecian and Roman forms of architecture, the Tudor mansions and so on up to the modern houses. All of these specimens of habitations have been built with the greatest care, are absolutely faithful to the original models, and represent, so far as human knowledge can tell it, the entire development and evolution of the human race, as far as its habitations are concerned. It is of course impossible to go into the details of such a superb scheme as this in the space of a short newspaper article.

The energy of the American Commission has had the effect of pushing the United States section almost to completion. It is far in advance of most of the other departments. It is not unlikely that this portion of the show, by the way, will receive less attention from Americans than any other section, for most of us are familiar with the character of the exhibits.

A big show, which will afford food for reflection to a very large number of American citizens who are at present in Europe, and who do not return to their native land for reasons not unknown to Inspector Byrnes, is a section representing the prison systems of the past and present, for every conceivable variety of prison cells, from the day of the airless dungeon to the sanitary prisons of to-day, are on view. Incidentally there is a collection of thumbscrews, racks, and implements of torture which would make the fantasies of a drunkard's nightmare appear pale ond insignificant by comparison. There are several huge theatres in the grounds, and one of them will be given over to curious national dances, which are to be performed by the natives themselves. It is worth noting here that they will not be reproductions of French dances, but huge troupes are to be brought from Sumatra and other lands too difficult to remember for enumeration here. There are to be ten or twelve troupes of these people. They will be accompanied by their own musicians, and the stages will be set to represent the land where the dancers came from.

Some of the most pretentious buildings in the Exposition are the pavilions of Venezuela, Mexico, and Ecuador. It is the customary thing to see the smaller States of South America making a more pretentious exhibit at expositions of this character than the United States itself.

Perhaps it will give some idea of the size of the Exposition when I explain that an army of nearly 11,000 laborers have been at work on it for months, and that this force was considerably augmented toward the closing days.

One building is a huge palace constructed entirely of wood, built in the Italian style. Woods of every known variety are employed in the construction. Columns are formed from absolute trees, which have been brought intact at enormous expense, from various quarters of the world, packed so that the bark is not disfigured by so much as a scratch. The exterior is entirely of unhewn wood, but so skilfully matched that it has all the effect of sculpture. It shows that a man in modern times, drawing his inspiration from the forests alone, can construct a building without the use of any other tools than saws and hammers, which rivals in beauty the marble palaces of modern France. The architects of Paris claim that this style of building will become the rage after the exhibition, and that country houses and shooting boxes constructed from unhewn wood will be particularly fashionable in England.

A BATCH OF APPOINTNENTS.

Judge, Marshals and Collectors Chosen by the President.

The President has made the following appointments:

Charles Swayne, of Florida, United States District Judge of the Northern District of Florida.

William D. Lee, of New Mexico, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the Territory of New Mexico.

John W. Whitcher, of Nevada, Attorney of the United States for the District of Nevada.

John C. Murphy, of Dakota, United States Attorney for the Territory of Dakota.

Richard L. Walker, of Kansas, United States Marshal for the District of Kansas.

Jacob Yoes, of Arkansas, United States Marshal for the Western District of Arkansas.

James W. Savage, of Omaha, Neb., Government Director of the Union Pacific Railway Company.

A. M. Smith, Jr., of Ohio, Surveyor of Customs of the Port of Cincinnati.

David W. McClung, of Ohio, Collector of Internal Revenue for the First District of Ohio.

THE Italian Government has formally notified the State Department at Washington that it will not surrender Antonio Bevevino and Giuseppe Vellello, the two Italians charged with the murder of Paymaster McClure and Hugh Flanigan at Wilkesbarre, Penn., October 19, 1888.

THE NATIONAL GAME.

COLUMBUS pays Pitcher Baldwin $3500.

KANSAS CITY is putting up a strong game.

AUSTRALIA is adopting our national game.

BOSTON shows constantly improving work.

THE Clevelands are playing a fine game of ball.

EXTRA inning games are very scarce this season.

KANSAS CITY at last has a ball team to be proud of.

KELLY, of Boston, is catching better than last year.

RAMSEY and Kerins have been suspended by Louisville.

HARRY WRIGHT says no player's release is worth $12,000.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., is giving its team heavy support.

WOLF is the best all-around player in the Louisville team.

THE Washington Baseball Club has released Donnelly, third baseman.

GLASSCOCK is suffering with a split thumb, and Denny with a sprained ankle.

OLD JOE QUEST is playing a strong game for Toledo and captaining the team well.

THIS is Captain Comiskey's ninth season in St. Louis. He has an interest in the club.

CHICAGO has made the most three baggers to date and Pittsburg the most home runs.

EVERY League club shows an improvement over last season; Pittsburg the most, however.

PITCHER GUMPERT, of Cleveland, has a new raising speed ball which he uses to good effect.

EVERY home run made by a Boston player on the home grounds entitles him to a box of cigars.

OMAHA is endeavoring to have the Western Association raise its salary limit to $250 a month.

IT is harder to make home runs on the Pittsburg grounds than any other in the League.

THE four-ball rule has undoubtedly had the effect of greatly increasing the batting in the League.

THE Londons, of Canada, are disfigured by the ugliest uniforms out—a sort of striped barber pole suit.

PRESIDENT DAY, of New York, says Ward will not be sold to any club at present for any consideration.

RICHARDSON, of New York, and Pfeffer, of Chicago, are playing the greatest second base in the League.

BROWNING and Weaver, of the Louisvilles, enjoy the reputation of being the homeliest men in the profession.

HOY is batting and fielding splendidly for Washington. The little deaf mute would be a treasure in any club.

THE St. Louis baseball strike was the only one of its kind ever started, and it was the talk of the whole country.

THE League clubs are all unloading their surplus players, and some fine material is being placed upon the market.

NEW YORK has on its roll Keefe, Welch, George, Crane, and Titcomb as pitchers. The four first-named have lame arms.

GEORGE GORE, rejuvenated and revived, is playing the game of his life in New York. He said he would brace up and he did.

WHEN Radbourne, of Boston, smiled because Umpire McQuade failed to call a strike on a good ball, the latter fined him $10.

IT is doubtful if Cleveland has a superior in the League in base running. Nothing short of a Ewing or a Clements can stop them.

AS the result of going into the box without proper training Keefe is suffering from a lame arm and the New Yorks from a lack of pitchers.

BASEBALL is moving onward toward the polar regions. A thousand dollars has been subscribed for a club at Fredericktown, New Brunswick.

THE Cleveland club, the new addition to the League, won the first two games from the New Yorks, played too on the champions' own ground.

THE Chicagos, with a tattered outfield, broken infield and uncertain pitchers, but lots of bluff and more good than bad hitters, are struggling desperately to get into shape.

OLD JOE SHETZLINE, who has played professionally in all positions for fifteen years, is doing great work at third base this season for the Philadelphia Giants, in the Middle States League.

CLARKSON of Boston has done remarkable work this season in his fielding or hit balls from his position. He has most decidedly done better work than was ever known in his career as a pitcher.

THE Southern League has a fairly large population to draw from. New Orleans has about 265,000 people, Atlanta about 90,000, Charleston 75,000, Memphis 85,000, Birmingham 60,000 and Chattanooga about 40,000, a total of 615,000.

LEAGUE RECORD.

	Won.	Lost.	Percentage
Boston	14	5	.737
Philadelphia	13	6	.684
New York	11	9	.550
Chicago	11	10	.524
Cleveland	11	12	.478
Pittsburg	9	13	.409
Indianapolis	8	13	.381
Washington	4	12	.235

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION RECORD.

	Won.	Lost.	Percentage.
St. Louis	22	8	.767
Brooklyn	15	10	.600
Kansas City	16	11	.593
Athletic	12	12	.500
Cincinnati	14	15	.483
Baltimore	12	14	.462
Columbus	8	17	.320
Louisville	7	20	.259

TREATED AS A CRIME.

A Minnesota Law That Prescribes Fine and Imprisonment for Being Drunk.

The new drunkards law in Minnesota has gone into effect. It provides that whoever becomes intoxicated by voluntarily drinking intoxicating liquors shall be deemed guilty of the crime of drunkenness, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished as follows: For the first offense a fine of not less than $10 nor more thnn $40, or by imprisonment for not less than ten nor more than forty days; for the second offense by imprisonment for not less than thirty nor more than sixty days, or by a fine of not less than $20 nor more than $50; for the third and all subsequent offenses by imprisoument of not less than sixty days nor more than ninety days.

They Always Do.

Friend—What became of your last story?

Author—Returned.

"What was the title of it?"

" 'Evil Deeds.' "

"That was an unlucky title. Evil deeds always come home to roost, you know."

PRESBYTERIANS MEET.

The 101st General Assembly in Session at New York.

Southern Presbyterians Gather at Chattanooga, Tenn.

The Rev. Dr. Howard Crosby's Fourth Avenue Presbyterian Church, in New York city, was filled to overflowing when the 101st General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America opened its annual session with prayer.

Altogether there were 480 delegates or commissioners to the Assembly, half of them clergymen, the other half ruling elders. They represented twenty-eight synods, or State districts, the synods being divided into 210 presbyteries, which correspond to local or city governments, and these again including 6500 churches with 760,000 communicants, and representing a total population of about 2,500,000 persons.

The Rev. Dr. Charles L. Thompson, of the Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church, of New York city, the retiring Moderator, delivered his final sermon, after which Dr. William C. Roberts, the President of Lake Forest University, was elected the new Moderator.

On the second day of the Assembly the Rev. Dr. Morris, of Lane Theological Seminary, reported that 1139 churches, or 17 per cent. of all, had vacant pulpits in 1888, and that 400 or 500 will remain vacant for lack of a supply and lack of money. The rate of dissolution of churches is increasing from migration and from denominational rivalry, but most of all the cause lies in lack of ministers and lack of money. The committee recommended that the separate Presbyteries should especially care for the weak churches and supply ministers when there was a chance of nursing feeble churches back to vigorous life.

The Committee on Revision of the Confession of Faith asked to have Professor W. G. T. Shedd, of Union Theological Seminary; Professor E. D. Morris, of Lane Theological Seminary, and Professor R. B. Welch, of Auburn Theological Seminary, added to the committee and the work continued until next year. The report was adopted.

Colonel Elliott F. Shepard, Chairman of the Committee on the Observance of the Sabbath, reported that there is an increasing disposition to observe the Sabbath in this country, especially in the matter of transportation. The committee had also reason to believe that the circulation of Sunday newspapers is decreasing.

The Rev. Dr. Joseph T. Smith, of Baltimore, Chairman of a committee which met a similar committee of the the Southern General Assembly, reported that the committees agreed to work together in many ways—not to tresspass on each other's territory and to let the work in the colored churches go on as heretofore. A minority report by S. M. Breckenridge, of Kentucky, declared for an absolute union of the Northern and Southern General Assemblies.

In the evening there was a reception in the Metropolitan Opera House, given by the Presbyterian Union to Commissioners of the General Assembly. Governor Beaver, of Pennsylvania, as Ruling Elder in the Assembly, and others spoke.

Southern General Assembly.

The General Assembly of the Southern Presbyterian Church met in its twenty-ninth annual session in Chattanooga. Eleven States were represented. The body was called to order at 11 A. M. in the First Church by the Moderator, J. J. Bullock, of Washington, D. C., who conducted devotional exercises. The Rev. Dr. Bullock delivered the annual sermon of the Moderator.

Dr. H. C. Hill, of Fayetteville, N. C., was elected and installed as the new Moderator. J. W. West, of Mississippi, and R. E. Caldwell, of Louisville, were elected temporary secretaries.

A good portion of the second day's session of the Southern Assembly was devoted to reading reports.

The report of the Conference Committee, with a similar committee of the Northern Assembly, on unification, was read. It is similar to to the report presented at the Northern Assembly.

A telegram of salutation was received from the Northern Presbyterian Assembly in session at New York.

ON FIRE IN MID-OCEAN,

Thrilling Scenes and Heroic Conduct Aboard a Blazing Vessel.

The Hamburg-American Line steamer Rugia, from New York for Hamburg, which arrived a few days ago at Plymouth, Eng., reports that the cotton in her afterhold was spontaneously ignited four nights previous to her landing, in mid-ocean. The fire burned fiercely, but was quenched after five anxious hours, during which everything had been got in readiness to abandon the steamer. One hundred and thirty burning cotton bales were jettisoned.

Great fright prevailed among the passengers, who remained on deck for forty-eight hours. Through the efforts to quench the fire the cabins were flooded and two-thirds of the passengers luggage was spoiled. Much praise was given the Captain and crew for their exertions. Two of the crew were injured. It was feared that the steamer's cargo was greatly damaged.

After the fire had gained considerable headway some of those on board made preparations to desert the ship, but were prevented from doing so by the Captain, who threatened them with a revolver. When the iron bulkhead doors were opened the heat became so intense that many passengers were scorched, and the cotton bales around the passengers' luggage took fire. Casks of lard, which formed part of the vessel's cargo, also furnished fuel for the flames.

Hope had been well abandoned and boats had been lowered to leave the threatened steamer when it occurred to the Captain to try steam instead of water against the fire. This plan was put into execution and proved successful. The passengers have presented the Captain with an address, and the crew with various gifts, as evidences of gratitude and esteem for their heroic work in the midst of the dangers that encompassed them all.

THE Parisians have a horror of any epidemic breaking out in their city during the coming summer and spoiling the exhibition season. So all street sellers, strolling players, circus performers, acrobats, peddlers, etc., who go to Paris must be vaccinated unless they can show a certificate that the operation has been recently performed.

SECRETARY TRACY intends to remove the famous man-of-war Old Ironsides, which has been lying at Portsmouth, Va., for years, to Washington. The people of Portsmouth are distressed at the loss of the old frigate.

About Doctors' Bills.

Many a struggling family has all it can do to keep the wolf from the door without being called upon to pay frequent and exorbitant bills for medical advice and attendance.

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Talmage Sketches an Ideal Home.

Make your home the brightest place on earth if you would charm your children to the high path of virtue and rectitude and religion, says Rev. T. De Witt Talmage in the New York *Observer*. Do not always turn the blinds the wrong way. Let the light which puts gold on the gentian and spots the pansy pour into your dwellings. Do not expect the little feet to keep step to a Dead march. Do not cover up your walls with such pictures pictures as West's "Death on a Pale Horse," or Tintoretto's "Massacre of the Innocents." Rather cover them if you have pictures, with "The Hawking Party," and "The Mill by the Mountain Stream," and "The Fox Hunt," and "The Children Amid Flowers," and "The Harvest Scene," and "The Saturday Night Marketing." Get you no hint of cheerfulness from grasshopper's leap, and lamb's frisk, and quail's whistle, and garrulous streamlet which from the rock at the mountain top clear down to the meadow ferns under the shadow of the steep, comes looking for the steepest place to leap off at, and talking just to hear itself talk. If all the skies hurtled with tempest and everlasting storm wandered over the sea, and every mountain stream were raving mad, frothing at the mouth with mud foam, and there were nothing but simoons blowing among the hills, and there were neither lark's carol nor hummingbird's trill nor waterfall's dash, but only bear's bark and panther's scream and wolf's howl, then you might well gather into your homes only the shadows.

The President's Father-in-Law.

The Rev. Dr. Scott, President Harrison's father-in-law, keeps steadily at his desk in the Pension Office, according to the New York *World*, which also says that "his daughters and the President himself have asked him to resign his position, but he refuses to live in idleness. Shortly after the election, Mrs. Harrison wrote to her father asking him to quit work and live at the White House. Her husband also wrote to Dr. Scott, cordially supporting his wife's request. But the old gentleman sturdily refused the temptation, and said that he had been so long used to the routine of his office that he could not give it up. His companions in the Pension Bureau say that his habits and manners have not changed at all since last November."

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Marcy has succeeded in confirming these numbers graphically. He fixed a fly so that the tip of the wing just touched a cylinder, which was moved by clockwork. Each stroke of the wing caused a mark, of course, very slight, but still quite perceptible, and he thus showed that there were actually 330 strokes in a second, agreeing almost exactly with the number inferred from the note produced.

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It is said that the engineers and operatives in the electrical establishments at Vienna and Madrid are required to wear rubber gloves as a measure of protection.

Minute doses of corrosive sublimate—one of the most powerful poisons known—have been given for cholera, with remarkable success, by a French doctor in Tonquin.

Animals have much more capacity to understand human speech than is generally supposed. The Hindoos talk to their elephants, and it is amazing how much they comprehend.

The Victorian age, according to Professor Ayrton, will be remembered rather for the economical transmission of power by electricity than for the invention of the electric telegraph.

A thermographic printing press, capable of turning off 400 impressions an hour from hot type on wood, is a new French production. It is said to yield results equal to lithography.

A novel feat in engineering was recently performed on the line of the Panama canal. A steam launch which was too big to go under a bridge was lifted over it and safely deposited on the other side.

The Patent Office is to be lighted by electricity, and the Secretary of the Interior believes that the saving from the average outlay heretofore sustained will in three years reimburse the expenditure for the plant.

The greenish color of certain cloths was found some years ago to be due to a parasitic growth of algæ upon the hair. Two genera and three species of these minute plants—one genus green, and the other, with its two species, violet—have since been described by Mme. Weber von Bosse. A single hair may have upon it from 150,000 to 200,000 individuals.

A plan for rendering paper as tough as wood or leather has been recently introduced on the Continent. It consists in mixing chloride of zinc with the pulp in the course of manufacture. It has been found that the greater the degree of concentration of the zinc solution the greater will be the toughness of the paper. It can be used for making boxes, combs, for roofing, and even for making boats.

Investigation of fire ruins shows that porous terra cotta bricks and blocks best resist fire, water and frost, next to these in the order of fire-resisting qualities being the various concretes, or some of them, and burned clay work. In the best building work now done, the iron part is incased in porous terra cotta, tile or brick work, in roof, floor and tile construction; the hollow tiles are faced with vitreous tile, slate or any good weather-proof coating, or with a single thickness of brick. Incased in fireproof materials, iron and steel framework is claimed to give the best results.

The Nebraska Homesteader.

I met the profcssional homesteader today in Sioux County, the extreme northwest county of Nebraska. He stood by a prairie schooner out of which came a stove-pipe. Behind was a cow and calf and two dogs.

"Where is your home?" I asked.

"H'nt got no house," he said, as he kicked one of the dogs and took a chew of tobacco.

"Where do you live?"

"Whered' I live!" he exclaimed, indignantly.

"I don't have to live anywhere. I'm marchin' ahed of civ'lization, sir. I'm homesteadin'."

"Well, where do you sleep?"

"Sleep? I sleep over on the government land, drink out of the North Platte, eat jack rabbits and raw wolf. But it's gettin' too thickly settled round here for me. I saw a land agent from Buffalo Gap today, and they say a whole family is comin' up the North Platte fifty miles below here. It's getting too crowded for me here, stranger. I lea for the Powder River country tomorro I can't stand the rush!"—*Omaha Bee.*

The Most Expensive Leather.

"The most costly leather in the world, so far as I know," says a dealer in fine skins and leathers, "is known to the trade as piano leather. American tanners years ago discovered the secret of Russia leather, with its peculiarly pungent and lasting odor, but the secret of tanning piano leather is known only to a family of tanners in Thuringia, Germany. This leather has but one use, the covering of piano keys. A peculiar thing about it is that the skins from which it is tanned are procured almost entirely in America. It is a particular kind of buckskin. The skin of the common red or Virginia deer will not make the leather, a species of the animal known as the gray deer and found only in the vicinity of the great Northern lakes, alone furnishing the material. The German tanners have an agency in Detroit which collects the skins of this deer from the Indian and half-breed hunters who supply the market. The hunters are paid an average price of about 20 cents a pound for the green skins. When the skins are returned to this country as piano leather they cost the piano manufacturer from $15 to $18 a pound. The world's supply of this invaluable and necessary material is supplied by the Kretzchmar family of tanners, who have six establishments in Germany, the largest and best at Gera in Thuringia."

The Hermit Thrush.

Going leisurely through a pleasant woodland one day, picking the first flowers of the large, white canadensis, and finding them deliciously fragrant, contrary to my notion that only the later ones were so, I came upon a hermit catching his dinner amidst the dead leaves, running and jumping after his insect prey, carrying a great leaf in his mouth now and then, as if in play, pausing for a moment and seeming to listen intently. Yes, I could hear it, too, the melody of a distant thrush, faintly audible above the gentle stirring of the breeze in the tree tops. Silence ensued, my bird went on catching the insects hidden in the leaves, and my hopes that he would prove a singer and answer his rival, if thrushes ever have rivals, was not realized. Then I said this is a female bird who listens to the song of her mate. But I soon found the ventriloquist here in the leaves was the only thrush in the woods. I could see the light ripple run over his breast as he sang his whispered song, but it was difficult even then to doubt the existence of the far away songster, so perfect was the little conjurer's art.—*Vick's Magazine.*

The Samoan Islands.

Samoa consists of a group of four islands in the Pacific Ocean, about as far from the Sandwich Islands as the latter are from San Francisco and about 1300 miles to the northeast of Australia. The names of the four islands are Upolu, Savan, Apolina and Manono, with a population in 1887 of 200 foreigners, mostly Americans, Englishmen and Germans, and 30,000 natives, and with an area of 2,650 square miles. These islands are the dominating power in that part of the Pacific Ocean and the center of commerce. They are in the line with all American commerce with New Zealand and Australia.

The Bamboo.

There is perhaps no economic plant that has a brighter future in California than the bamboo. There is no tree or plant more useful in every day life. There are varieties useful for ornament, for hedges, for windbrakes, for fuel, etc., and they can be manufactured into almost everything from a house to a workbox or a fishing pole. No culture is required after the first planting, and they grow and multiply wonderfully from year to year. Some of the varieties will in California reach a height of from thirty to fifty feet and perhaps higher. Every home should have its clump of bamboos.

How to Dissolve Soda.

It is better always to dissolve soda in a very little—one or two tablespoonfuls—boiling water. First, boiling water dissolves it more quickly; second, the water being clear or transparent, one can see that the soda is thoroughly dissolved, while, if you add it to milk, which, of course, must be sour, or you would not be using soda with it, fermentation takes place at once, thereby destroying all opportunities for seeing whether or not the soda is thoroughly dissolved.—*Washington Star.*

CHILDREN'S COLUMN.

WATCH YOUR WORDS.

"Keep a watch on your words, my darling
For words are wonderful things;
They are sweet, like the bees' fresh honey,
Like bees they have terrible stings;
They can bless like the warm, glad sunshine,
And brighten a lonely life;
They can cut, in the strife of anger,
Like an open, two-edged knife.

Let them pass through your lips unchallenged,
If their errands are true and kind—
If they come to support the weary,
To comfort and help the blind;
If a bitter, revengeful spirit
Prompts the words, let them be unsaid;
They may flash through the brain like lightning,
Or fall on the heart like lead.

Keep them back, if they're cold and cruel,
Under bar, lock and seal;
The wounds they make, my darling,
Are always slow to heal.
May peace guard your lips, and ever,
From the time of your early youth,
May the words that you daily utter
Be the words of beautiful truth."

Atlanta Constitution.

A FUNNY STORY ABOUT HORSES.

A traveler in New England saw the following sign on a board that was nailed to a fence near a village: "Horses taken in to grass. Long tails, $1.50; short tails, $1." The traveler halted and asked the owner of the land why there was such a difference in the price of board for horses. "Well, you see," said the man, "the long tails can brush away the flies, but the short ones are so tormented by them they can hardly eat at all."—*Picayune.*

GULLS AND THEIR YOUNG.

Every bird watches over and cares for her own nest, though the numbers are so great and the tumult so excessive that it is difficult to conceive how each gull can distinguish her own spotted eggs, placed in the midst of so many others, exactly similar in size, shape and color: and when at length the young are hatched, and are swimming about on the loch, or crowded together on some grassy point, the old birds, as they come home from a distance with food, fly rapidly amidst thousands of young ones exactly similar to their own, without even looking at them, until they find their own offspring, which, recognizing their parents amongst all the other birds, receive the morsel without any of the hungry little creatures around attempting to dispute the prize, each waiting patiently for its own parent, in perfect confidence that its turn will come in due season.—*Boston Cultivator.*

A WONDERFUL TRAINED GOAT.

A traveler in the Holy Land, says Mr. Holder, was one day stopped on the road by an Arab, who said he wanted to show him how his trained goat performed. The traveler, nothing loath at being entertained where such a novelty was hardly to be expected, expressed his willingness, and the performance commenced.

The Arab dismounted from a miserable donkey, spread a small carpet upon the ground and called up a demure-looking goat that had been following behind. From a bag the man first took a number of blocks, six inches long, cylindrical in shape and two inches across the top, and placed four upon the carpet at a small distance apart. The goat immediately stepped upon them, carefully putting a foot on each block. Now the Arab placed in his mouth a small musical instrument and began to drone a monotonous air that was evidently appreciated by the goat, as it pricked up its ears and assumed a position of deep attention.

Without stopping the music the Arab then lifted one of the goat's forefeet and slipped under it another cylinder, and repeated the operation under all its hoofs. In this way the goat was gradually lifted until finally the pillars of wood were four feet from the ground, the patient animal preserving its balance perfectly, and appearing as if standing on stilts. That the music, if it could be called music, was an important factor in this performance, was very evident, for the moment it ceased the goat began to waver and tremble; but upon the strains being revived the animal seemed to acquire fresh confidence. When the music entirely ceased it toppled over and fell to the ground.

The next trick, if we may so term it, was to build up the columns in an uneven manner, so that they were finally removed from under the forefeet, the animal standing upon its hind legs on the pillars three feet in height.

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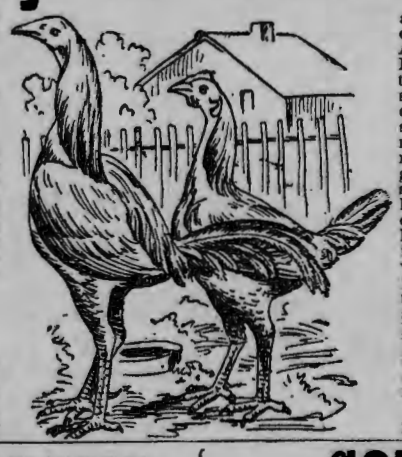

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Cassville.

Cassville people are rejoicing over the fact, that they are to have a daily mail after July, both from Mill Creek and Broad Top City.

Rev. Ott and family passed through our town on Wednesday, en route to Martinsburg. They propose indulging in trout fishing along the way.

An interesting temperance meeting was held at Newberg on Tuesday evening, Rev. Adams in charge. Rev. Jolle, of the Presbyterian church, was present and gave a most powerful address. It is thought the citizens of that place will vote for the Amendment to a man. They are men of intelligence as well as principle, and can't be scared with the "apple-tree story." George Washington could not tell a lie about the cherry-tree, but some of his descendants are guilty of libel on the apple-tree.

Miss Beckie Moyer has gone to Philadelphia, to remain some time.

Miss Sallie Whiteside intends visiting friends in Altoona, Williamsport, and Huntingdon, this month.

Cards are out for the wedding of Miss Mame Meminger and Chas. Thomas, of Tyrone.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Shuman visited the county-seat last week.

Mr. J. O. Heaton is improving his residence with some rustic vases, filled with plants, vines, etc.

Communion services were held in the M. E. church, last Sunday. M. K. Foster, P. E., preached an eloquent sermon from Acts, 8th chapter and part of the 37th verse—"I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God."

Rev. Wallace, of the McConnellstown circuit, was present and officiated at communion service in the M. E. church, on Sunday. He is a very pleasant gentleman. Come again.

We heard a man say, in answer to the question: Are you going to vote against the Amendment?—"No, sir. Do you think I would vote for the saloon, the gate of hell, to be opened to my children? No, sir."

Miss Mame Heaton and Libbie Kahill, who have been in Altoona for the last year, are visiting relatives here. Mountain City life agrees with them.

The contract for carrying the mail from Cassville to Broad Top City, Pa., was sub-let to Grant Cornelius, of Smith Valley. The public will find him to be courteous and accommodating. The route from Cassville to Mill Creek has not been taken yet. The people think $365, "the amount offered by the contractors," is not enough.

THE ITEM is a very interesting paper and should be on the table of every family in the county. Why spend one or two dollars for novels and then go to your neighbor and borrow the county papers? Invest $1.00 with Swope & Thompson, and make yourself happy.

CITIZEN.

Little Trough Creek.

I have been waiting for an abler hand than mine to send you some items from our valley, and, as no one seems so disposed, I have decided to try my hand, giving you the liberty to dispose of my efforts at news-giving as you deem best.

The grain is looking only middling well. The prospect for a good hay crop is flattering.

There was a mail agent in the valley the past week, looking for some one to take the contract for carrying the mail from Cassville to Mill Creek. We are informed that he failed to dupe any one. Why is it there must be so many "wheels within wheels" in all paying contracts? Why not give the pay to the ones that do the work?

Our Methodist friends held their first quarterly conference, on last Saturday, at Cassville. They voted Rev. Adams $800, salary, and Rev. Snyder $250.

A vicious dog bit one of Joseph King's little girls very badly one day last week. The dog was killed.

It seems to us that our roads ought to have more attention, now, that the rainy season apparently is well past, and before bark hauling begins in earnest.

We think our board of school directors made a grave mistake in the location of the house in the Calvin district. The time is coming (and should be here now) when all school-houses will be heated from the basement. This can never be done in this house where it is located. Change the location, gentlemen, for your own credit and for the future good and saving of the township.

Rev. Croft preached an able and practical memorial sermon on the 19th inst. at Calvin. The subject of his discourse was taken from the 11th, 12th, and 13th verses of the last chapter of Ephesians. He showed that military officers made mistakes, but that the Captain of our salvation never made mistakes; that soldiers' rewards were not lasting, but that Christians' rewards were everlasting. He made an earnest appeal to all who had not enlisted under the Great Captain to do so at once, that they might obtain the everlasting reward. He closed by saying to his comrades that, at the end of twenty years, few of them would be left. The discourse was listened to with marked attention and highly spoken of by everyone that we heard express themselves.

FARMER.

Newton Hamilton News.

Our new postmaster has taken charge of the office and removed it to his store at Bridge corner.

Mr. Moore, of McVeytown, has opened a meat market in the Ewing block, in the room vacated by the post office.

Quite a large number of bass are being caught here. It is out of season for these fish, and the violators of the law should be punished. Where is the fish warden, that he does not make a trip up our way.

The river at this place was stocked with about 6,000 California Salmon, by the fish commissioner, several days ago. Will they stay? Time will tell.

The committees from the various organizations and Sunday-schools in town met in the Presbyterian church, a few evenings ago, to perfect arrangements for the proper observance of Memorial Day.

The P. R. R. company has placed caution notices up at the crossings in town warning persons not to walk or trespass on the railroad.

There is talk of the railroad company widening the cut below town.

Miss Annie Johnson, of McVeytown, is visiting friends in town.

Hon. V. B. Cushing will lecture on Temperance in the Presbyterian church at this place, on May 23.

Dr. Wm. D. Hall will deliver the Memorial oration at this place instead of Dr. Johnson, who is unable to be present on account of a press of business.

The street commissioner commenced work on our streets last week.

Dr. J. W. Newcomer, of Petersburg, Ill., is visiting his father-in-law. D. Jenkins, sr., of Wayne township.

Mrs. J. W. Heister and children are visiting Mrs. H.'s parents, Mr. & Mrs. S. M. Bleakney of Newport.

Henry R. Black, of this place, who for some time has been confined to the house with consumption, died on Saturday morning, at 4½ o'clock. He served during the rebellion as a cavalryman and was a member of Post 457 G. A. R. At the time of his death he was chief burgess of this town. He was aged about 45 years and leaves a wife and 3 children, besides a host of friends to mourn his death. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved friends.

Your correspondent would like to ask the town council for some information as to why they do not proceed to fix the wall and make a bed for the pavement along the diamond. It has lain the way it now is since last fall.

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Prints, 5c, up.
Shirting, 8, 10, and 12c.
Lawns, 5c, up.
Percals, @ 10c, worth 12½,
Ginghams, 7½c, up.
Fine line of Dress Ginghams, 10c.
54-inch Turkey Red Table Linen, 27c.
Better Quality, 29c.
Large assortment White Goods—every piece new—very cheap. Do not buy until you have seen them and learned prices.
Rubber Hair Pins, per doz., 10c.
Silk Veiling, 15c.
Gold and Silver Ruching, 8c.
Silk Handkerchiefs, 25c, up.
Bargains in Lace, Ribbons, Buttons, and Ladies' and Gents' Handerchiefs.
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Needles, per paper, 5c.
Pins, per paper, 2c.
Tinsel Cord, per ball, 4c.
Lead Pencils, 1c, up.
2 doz. sheets of good Letter Paper, 10c.
" " " " Envelopes, "
Sheet Music, 4 for 25c. (Regular price, 25 to 75c, each.)
Men's Percal Shirts, 48c, up.
Holland Window Shades, best spring, 40c. each.
Men's Suspenders, 15c, up.
Bargains in Men's Fancy Wool Shirts for Summer wear.
Gloves for bark packers, 48c, up.
Shelf Paper, per doz. sheets, 5c.
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Lot of Hammocks and Hammock Fixtures, last of week.
Spring Hinges for Screen Doors, with screws, 16 and 20c.
Another lot of Silk Umbrellas, Gold Handles, cheaper than ever: 26-inch, $1.60; 28-inch, $1.75.
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